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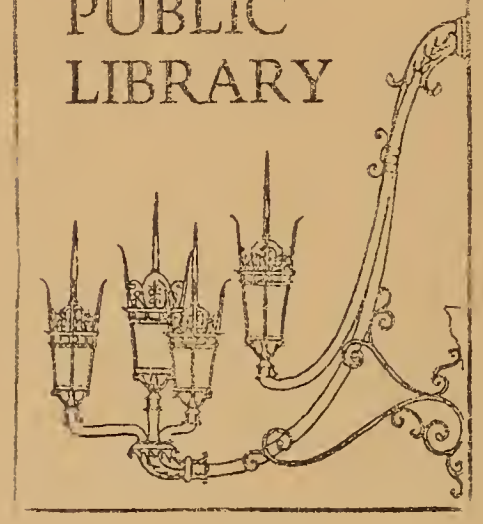

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11 Mar 1952 - 06 Oct 1987

and

DANA LEE TERRELL

05 Oct 1957 - 26 Jun 1986

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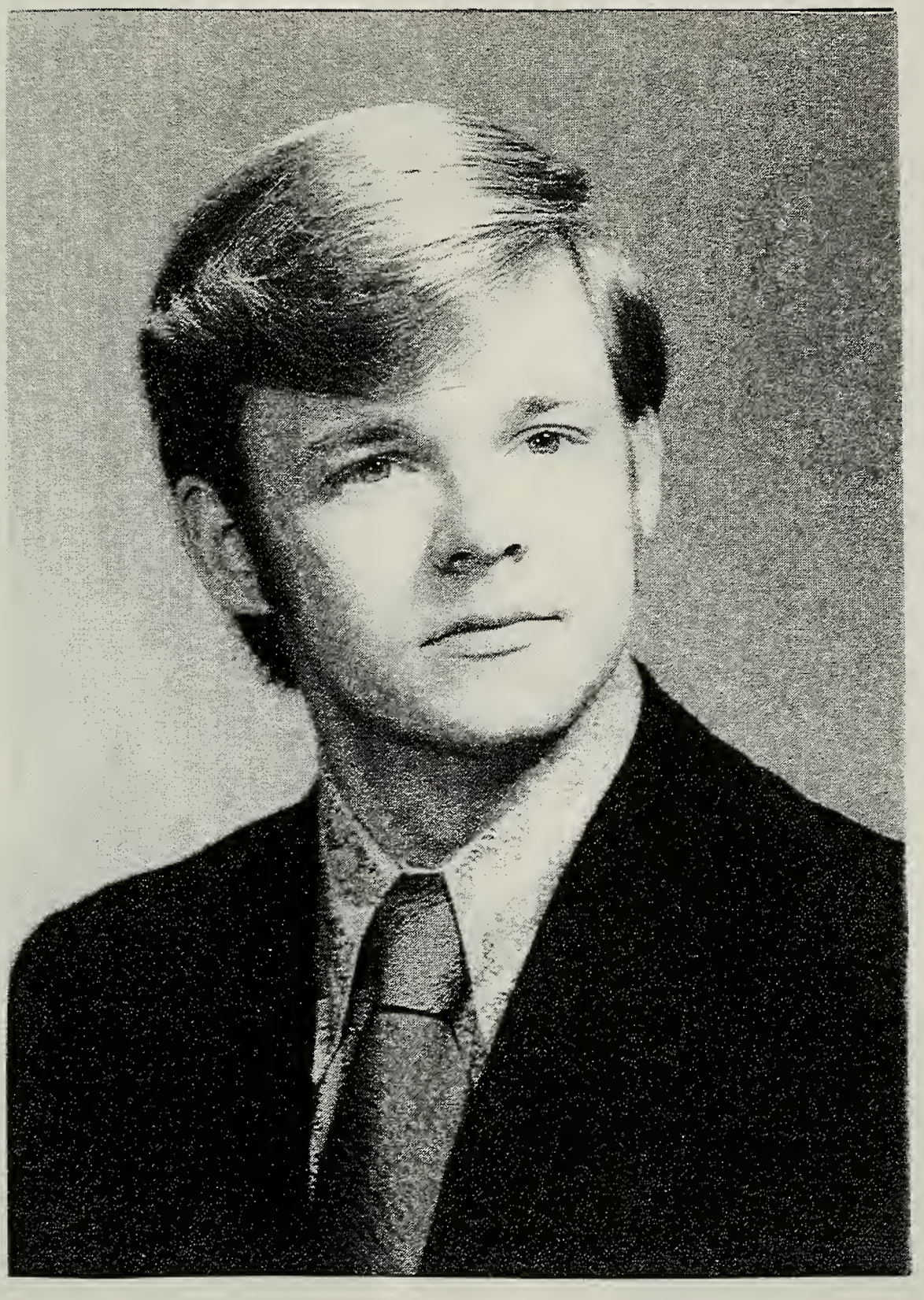

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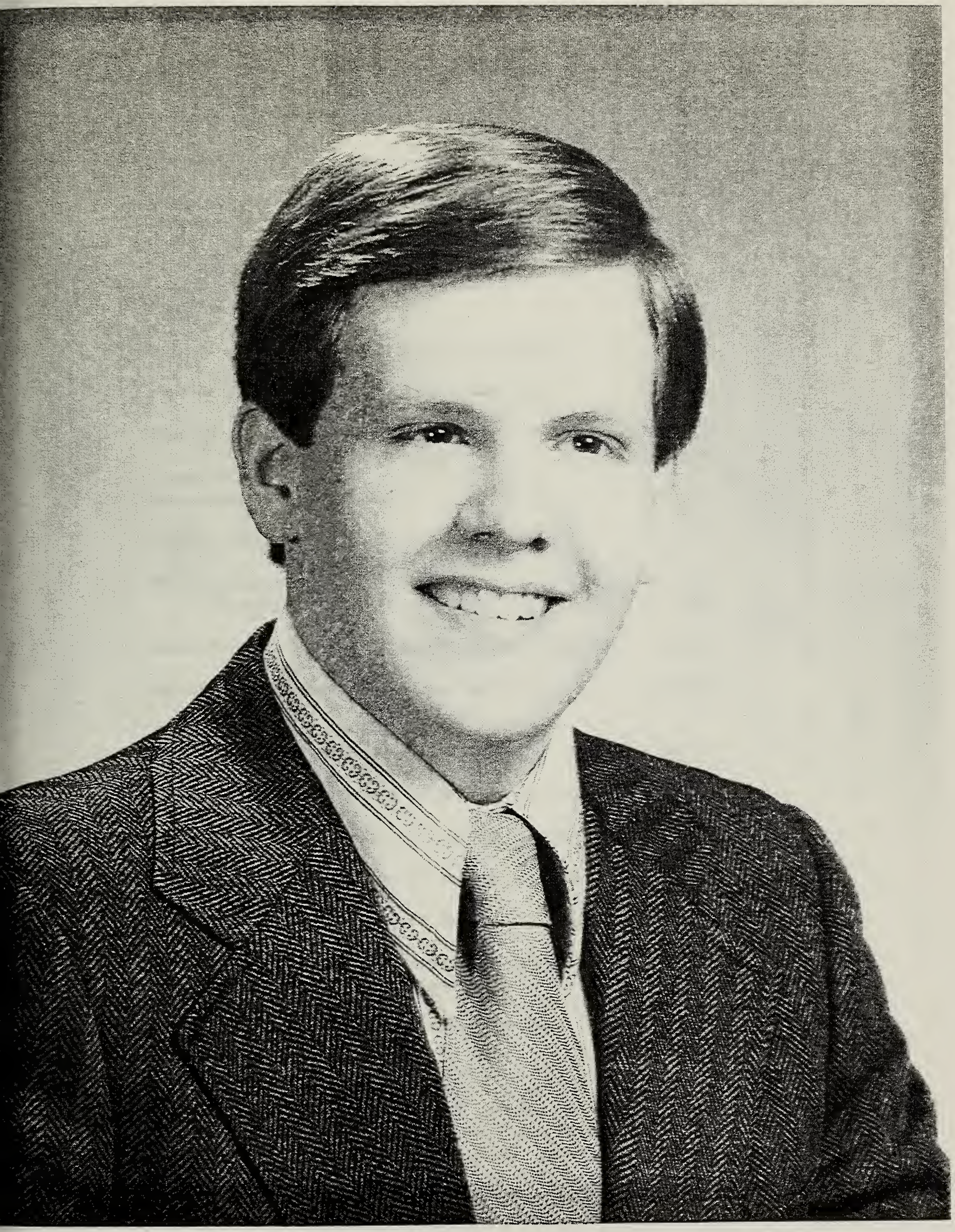

IN MEMORY OF
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Donald and Margaret Lear Terrell 505 Hector Street Ithaca, NY 14850

A NOTE TO OUR GRANDCHILDREN

Grandchildren:

Each one of our children and grandchildren (the children and grandchildren of Donald Leon Terrell and Margaret Ellen Lear Terrell) are direct line (blood line) descendants of the TERRELL LEROY LEAR WARD and related Families Genealogical blood line. Therefore the genealogical information on each of you will be found in the front part of all four volumes (Volume 1 TERRELL, Volume 2 LEROY, Volume 3 LEAR, and Volume 4 WARD). You are referred to as Children and Grandchildren in the Table of Contents.

Grandpa (Donald Leon Terrell) is a direct blood line descendant of only the TERRELL LEROY and related Families Genealogical blood line. Grandma (Margaret Ellen Lear Terrell) is a direct blood line descendant of only the LEAR WARD and related Families Genealogical blood line. However, because Grandpa and Grandma are married to each other we also are found in the front part of all four volumes. We are referred to as Generation 1 in the Table of Contents.

Grandpa's father and your great-grandfather (Leon Keeling Terrell) is a direct blood line descendant of only the TERRELL and related Families Genealogical blood line. Grandpa's mother and your great-grandmother (Clara Genevieve LeRoy Terrell) is a direct blood line descendant of only the LEROY and related Families Genealogical blood line. However, because they were married to each other they are found in the front part of only the first two volumes (Volume 1 TERRELL and Volume 2 LEROY). They are referred to as Generation 2 in the Table of Contents of these first two volumes only.

Grandma's father and your great-grandfather (George Andrew Lear) is a direct blood line descendant of only the LEAR and related Families Genealogical blood line. Grandma's mother and your great-grandmother (Daisy May Ward Lear) is a direct blood line descendant of only the WARD and related Families Genealogical blood line. However, because they were married to each other they are found in the front part of only the last two volumes (Volume 3 LEAR and Volume 4 WARD). They are referred to as Generation 2 in the Table of Contents of the last two volumes only.

Grandpa's brothers and sister with their children, who are your uncles, aunt and cousins, are direct blood line descendants of only the TERRELL LEROY and related Families Genealogical blood line. They are found in the back part of the first two volumes only. They are referred to as Collateral, Other Descendants of Generation 2, in the Table of Contents of the first two volumes only.

Grandma's brothers with their children, who are your uncles and cousins, are direct blood line descendants of only the LEAR WARD and related Families Genealogical blood line. They are found in the back part of the last two volumes only. They are referred to as Collateral Ancestors and Relatives, in the Table of Contents of the last two volumes only.

<u>All</u> of the persons listed in <u>all</u> of the Compressed Pedigree Charts of <u>all</u> four volumes are your <u>great-and many more great-grandparents</u> and <u>all</u> of them are <u>direct blood line ancestors</u> of each of you!!!! They are referred to as Generation 3, through however many generations Grandma has been able to trace back in time, in the Table of Contents of their respective volumes only.

Grandchildren, even though each of you will receive all four volumes, Grandpa and Grandma cannot afford to send all four volumes to all of our relatives. Instead we will be sending out to our relatives only the volume or volumes that pertain to them. Therefore Grandpa has duplicated some letters and other genealogical information so as to share it with as many relatives as possible with little additional printing expense. <u>Caution:</u> Please go over each List of Insertions carefully to be sure you don't miss <u>new</u> information.

FOREWORD

Margaret Ellen Lear Terrell probably was "bitten" by the "Genealogy Bug" many years ago, although she may not remember just when. It may have been while she was listening to her grandfather, Frank Charles Ward, Sr., or her grandmother, Florence Elon Faure Ward, tell about their childhood days of long ago. It may have been while she was listening to her grandfather, Edgar ("Toby") Lear, or her grandmother, Nellie Ann Brewer Lear, tell about their childhood days of long ago. It may have been while visiting her many uncles and aunts and listening to their stories of their childhood days. It may have been while she and her brothers were "growing up" with their father, George Andrew Lear, and their mother, Daisy May Ward Lear, and listening to them tell about their childhood days of "growing up".

It may have been later when Margaret Ellen Lear married and became Margaret Ellen Lear Terrell and listened to her new grandparents, Clayton Frank LeRoy and Grace Electa Pratt LeRoy, tell about their childhood days. It may have been while listening to her father-in-law, Leon Keeling Terrell, or her mother-in-law, Clara Genevieve LeRoy Terrell, tell about their childhood days. Then there were the visits with her husband's uncles and aunts and their stories of "way back then".

Margaret Ellen Lear Terrell started collecting "hard copies" of these "memories" and "stories" whenever she could. Then, as each of her four children, Mark Clayton Terrell, Lynn Ellen Terrell, Bruce Alan Terrell and Dana Lee Terrell, were born, she started keeping pictures and records of their "growing up" times. She wanted her children to be able to know as much as possible about their grandparents and their great-grandparents and the way they lived back then. She continued to collect this "family history" information as often as she could so that she could share it with her children and husband.

The years went slowly by. Gradually she and her husband witnessed their grandparents each reach the end of their life cycle and quietly pass away. Then their parents quietly passed away along with most of their uncles and aunts. She grew more and more determined to preserve the memories of their childhood days for her children. As she went over her "collection" of memories and pictures, she realized that there were many relatives' names, places of birth, marriages and their children that were lacking. She grew even more determined to find these pieces of information and fill in these family histories for her children. She started going to libraries, court houses, historical societies, newspapers, church records, cemeteries, friends and relatives for assistance in finding this information. She collected piles and piles of information.

During this time her grandchildren were born. Jennifer Ann Terrell, Dianna Lynn Terrell, Michael Adam Terrell, David Andrew Terrell, Philip Grant Scoles, Lisa Ellen Scoles, Eric Leon Scoles, Ruth Ann Scoles, Joshua Alan Terrell and Jodi Lei Terrell.

She and her husband also experienced the tragic loss of two of their sons. First Dana Lee Terrell and then Bruce Alan Terrell.

Margaret Ellen Lear Terrell remained determined to continue the search for the missing pieces of family history information. She wanted to preserve this information for her children and grandchildren. She and her husband would travel far and wide in her quest. During these times, her husband would read the Reader's Digest. He had said many times that he wasn't going to get "bitten" by that "Genealogy Bug".

The years continued to go slowly by. She retired from many years of doing office work as a secretary and started helping her husband a few hours each week with typing and record keeping. Her husband was managing the start-up of a new water treatment system and was badly in need of experienced

assistance in typing and record keeping. She later assisted with the Water Plant Operator's and Distribution Operator's School that her husband was managing at the new water system for his operators and other operators from across New York State. It was during this time that she started keeping "computer records" of some of the genealogical data that she had collected over the years. There was an IBM computer at her husband's office. She purchased the Personal Ancestral File computer software from The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints.

It was during this time that she developed Carpal Tunnel Syndrome in her right wrist. This was caused from many years of typing and office work. She had entered into the IBM computer, using the newly purchased genealogical software, only a few hundred of the thousands of genealogical records that she had collected over the years. She was losing the feeling in some of her fingers so she stopped using her hands and fingers as much as possible. She did not give up her search for more family history and genealogical data. She just stopped entering this information into the computer.

Her husband retired in 1988 with plenty of extra time on his hands. He decided to take over her job of entering this genealogical information into a computer. He ran into a small problem. The only computer that they personally owned was a Commodore 64 and it would not accept the Personal Ancestral File (PAF) software. This software was for IBM and compatible computers only. PAF software was not available for the Commodore 64 computer so she purchased the Family Roots software from Quinsept, Inc. The Quinsept people were able to transfer her PAF genealogical files into Family Roots files. Her husband was then able to continue entering her genealogical information into their home computer.

Over the next few years he entered over two thousand more records using the Family Roots software and their Commodore 64 computer. Another small problem developed. The storage capacity of the computer (64K) and the diskettes restricted the efficient transfer of information so three additional disk drives were purchased. Finally the constant changing of diskettes into four disk drives slowed his forward progress into a "pony walk".

The decision was made to "upgrade" their home computer capabilities. They purchased a Smith Corona Acer PC 340/386SX HD with 120 MB hard disk drive, 3.5" High Density Floppy Disk Drive, 5.25" High Density Floppy Disk Drive and 4 MB RAM (expandable to 8 MB) operating at 20 MHz. Many software programs came already installed on the hard disk including a Smith Corona Word Processing Program. They then purchased an updated IBM compatible Family Roots software from Quinsept, Inc., a Family Connections software from Quinsept, Inc. and an updated IBM compatible Personal Ancestral File software from The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. The Quinsept people were then able to transfer all of the Commodore 64 Family Roots records to the IBM compatible Family Roots software records. Her husband was now ready to continue entering more of her genealogical data only this time at "lightning" speed compared to the old Commodore 64.

This brings us to 1995 when her husband has finished Volume 1 TERRELL, Volume 2 LEROY, Volume 3 LEAR and Volume 4 WARD of the TERRELL LEROY LEAR WARD and Related Families GENEALOGY, for his wife, their children, their grandchildren and many new generations to come. She continues to collect more family history records for her husband to enter later in the computer. She still says that he may yet be "bitten" by the "Genealogy Bug". Time will tell.

Donald Leon Terrell
her husband

List of Libraries and Historical Societies
where all four volumes of the
TERRELL LEROY LEAR WARD
and Related Families Genealogy
plus
Ancestors and Relatives of
The Children and Grandchildren of
Donald Leon Terrell and Margaret Ellen Lear Terrell
plus
World War II Letters
Written by
Donald and Margaret Lear Terrell
to
Each Other
25 Aug 1944 through 02 Aug 1946
may be found

[Note: Margaret Ellen Lear Terrell and Donald Leon Terrell compiled and printed the four volumes of the TERRELL LEROY LEAR WARD and Related Families Genealogy in 1993-95 (plus Ancestors and Relatives of ... plus World War II Letters ...) for the private use of their children, grandchildren and relatives. However, Margaret and Donald Terrell realize the possible historical and genealogical value of these four volumes (plus Ancestors and Relatives of ... plus World War II Letters ...) to historians and genealogical researchers around the country. Therefore, Margaret and Donald Terrell have sent, or will send, all four volumes (plus Ancestors and Relatives of ... plus World War II Letters ...) to the below list of libraries and historical societies for use in their historical and genealogical reading areas.]

[Note to our relatives: Margaret and Donald Terrell have compiled and printed these four volumes (plus Ancestors and Relatives of ... plus World War II Letters ...) primarily for private use by our children, grandchildren and relatives, therefore they are not for sale and will not be for sale. We are sending the volume or volumes that pertain to you and your family to you, from us, with love. Because we cannot afford to send all of our relatives all four volumes, we have duplicated some of the letters, pictures, poems etc. (no letters, pictures, poems etc. in Relatives and Ancestors of ...) so that this additional information may be shared by as many of our relatives as possible with little additional printing expense. For those of our relatives that did not receive a volume, or would like to read one of the other volumes, we suggest you review the following list to find a library or historical society near you where these volumes may be seen at little or no expense to you. We hope that you will enjoy reading about your ancestors as we have.]

[Note to our grandchildren: Grandpa and Grandma have chosen the libraries and historical societies listed below to send all four volumes (plus Ancestors and Relatives of ... plus World War II Letters ...) to because these are the primary areas where your great- (and many more great)-grandparents lived for a few years while raising their families (your ancestral uncles, aunts and grandparents). As each of you grow into adulthood and possibly get married and have children of your own, we hope that you will be able to take your children and possibly your <u>own</u> <u>grandchildren</u> to visit some of these libraries and let them read about their ancestors and how they lived. You may choose also, by going through old court house records of deeds and abstracts, to then go out into the country and see some of the actual places that they lived.

You may even be fortunate enough to locate the house, farm building, school or church they used!! For those of you who may choose, you may even be able to locate the cemeteries, with or without their headstones, where they are buried. Cemetery plot locations for most of these cemeteries are available at the cemetery offices or at local libraries or historical places.]

Listings by States and Countries

ARIZONA

Arizona State Genealogical Society
Box 6027
Tucson, AZ 85733

Arizona State Library
State Capitol, 3rd Floor
1700 W. Washington
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Family History Center
LDS Library State
500 S. Langley Ave. (For location purposes only.)
Tucson, AZ 85701 (No mail delivery to this address.)

CALIFORNIA

Los Angeles Public Library
Genealogical Department
630 West Fifth Street
Los Angeles, CA 90071

CONNECTICUT

Connecticut State Library
Genealogical Department
231 Capitol Ave.
Hartford, CT 06106

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Library of Congress
History and Genealogy Reading room
General Reading Rooms Division
10 First St. SE
Washington, DC 20540

ILLINOIS

Brown County Historical Society
Mt. Sterling, IL 62353
(For location purposes only.)
(No mail delivery to this address.)

ILLINOIS (cont'd)

Illiana Genealogical Historical Society
P.O. Box 207
Danville, IL 61834

Illinois State Historical Library
Old State Capitol
Springfield, IL 62706

Schuyler-Brown Historical
and Genealogical Society
P.O. Box 96
Rushville, IL 62681

Versailles Area Genealogical
and Historical Society
P.O. Box 92
Versailles, IL 62378-0092

INDIANA

Allen County Indiana Genealogical Society
P.O. Box 7003
Fort Wayne, IN 46807

Covington Public Library
622 5th Street
Covington, IN 47932

Indiana State Library
Genealogy Section
140 N. Senate Ave.
Indianapolis, IN 46204

IOWA

Nancy Tyrrel Theodore
DOR Corresponding Society
410 51st Street,
West Des Moines, IA 50265-2830

MASSACHUSETTS

Massachusetts State Library
Beacon Hill
Boston, MA 02155

New England Historic
Genealogical Society
101 Newbury Street
Boston, MA 02116-3087

MISSOURI

Missouri State Library
308 East High Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

NEW YORK

Cornell University Library
Rare and Manuscript Collections
Carl A. Kroch Library
Ithaca, NY 14853-5302

Cortland Free Library
32 Church Street
Cortland, NY 13045

Cortland County Historical Society
25 Homer Avenue
Cortland, NY 13045

DeWitt Historical Society
of Tompkins County, Inc.
401 E. State Street
Ithaca, NY 14850

L.D.S. Family History Center
114 Burleigh Drive
Ithaca, NY 14850 (For location purposes only.)
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New York Genealogical and
Biographical Society
122-126 E. 58th St.
New York, NY 10022

New York State Historical Association
Lake Road, P.O. Box 800
Cooperstown, NY 13326

New York State Library
Cultural Education Center
Local History and Genealogy Area
Albany, NY 12230

Onondaga County Public Library
The Galleries of Syracuse
447 South Salina Street
Syracuse, NY 13202-2494
Attention: Local History Level 5

Onondaga Historical Association
311 Montgomery Street
Syracuse, NY 13202

NEW YORK (cont'd)

Phillips Library
31 South Main Street
Homer, NY 13077

Seymour Library
Local History and Genealogy Area
176 Genesee Street
Auburn, NY 13021

Steele Memorial Library
One Library Plaza
Elmira, NY 14901-2799
Attention: Genealogy Second floor

Tompkins County Public Library
312 N. Cayuga Street
Ithaca, NY 14850

Virgil Historical Society
East State Rd (Rt 392 Virgil)(For location purposes only.)
Cortland, NY 13045 (No mail delivery to this address.)

PENNSYLVANIA

Pioneer Historical Library
242 East John Street
Bedford, PA 15522

Genealogical and Historical
Society of Pennsylvania
1300 Locust Street
Philadelphia, PA 19107

Pennsylvania State Library
Walnut and Commonwealth
Education Bldg.
Harrisburg, PA 17126

UTAH

Genealogical Society of the
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
50 East North Temple Street
Salt Lake City, UT 84150

WISCONSIN

State Historical Society of Wisconsin
816 State Street
Madison, WI 53706-1482

CANADA

Ontario Genealogical Society
40 Orchard View Blvd. Suite 251
Toronto, Ontario, Canada M 4 R 1 B 9

London Public Library
305 Queen's Avenue
London, Ontario, Canada N 6 B 3 L 7
Attention: Genealogical & Historical Department

ENGLAND

The Society of Genealogists
14 Charter House Buildings
Goswell Road
London, England E C 1 M 7 B A

Guildhall Library
Genealogical & Historical Department
Aldermanbury
London, England E C 2 P 2 E J

MATERIALS FOR THESE GENEALOGIES OBTAINED FROM THE FOLLOWING SOURCES:

1. Versailles, IL, Genealogical and Historical Society
2. Mount Sterling, IL, Public Library
3. George and Daisy Lear Ward (Lear and Ward family information)
4. Wayne and Marion Lear and family (Lear and Ward family information)
5. Roger and Ann Lear and family (Lear and Ward family information)
6. Dale and Kathi Lear and family (Lear and Ward family information)
7. Robert Edgar Lear (Ford Lear family information)
8. Nellie Brewer Lear Dorman (Lear and Brewer family information)
9. Faye Lear McAllister (Lear and Brewer family information)
10. Joyce Lear Mullens (Lear family information)
11. Patty Chockley (Lear family information)
12. Thelma Brewer Gray (Brewer family information)
13. Fred Hosford (Brewer family information)
14. Rena Hills Maxwell (Mrs. Melvin Maxwell) formerly of Scottsbluff, Nebraska - a descendant of Robert S. and Elizabeth Angel Hills who shared all her Hills family information with Margaret Lear Terrell. Rena died 4 Jan 1990.

Many libraries, censuses, court houses, historical societies, newspapers, church records, cemeteries, friends and relatives from many areas of the United States, Canada and Europe. All information received has been very helpful and much appreciated. Thank you!

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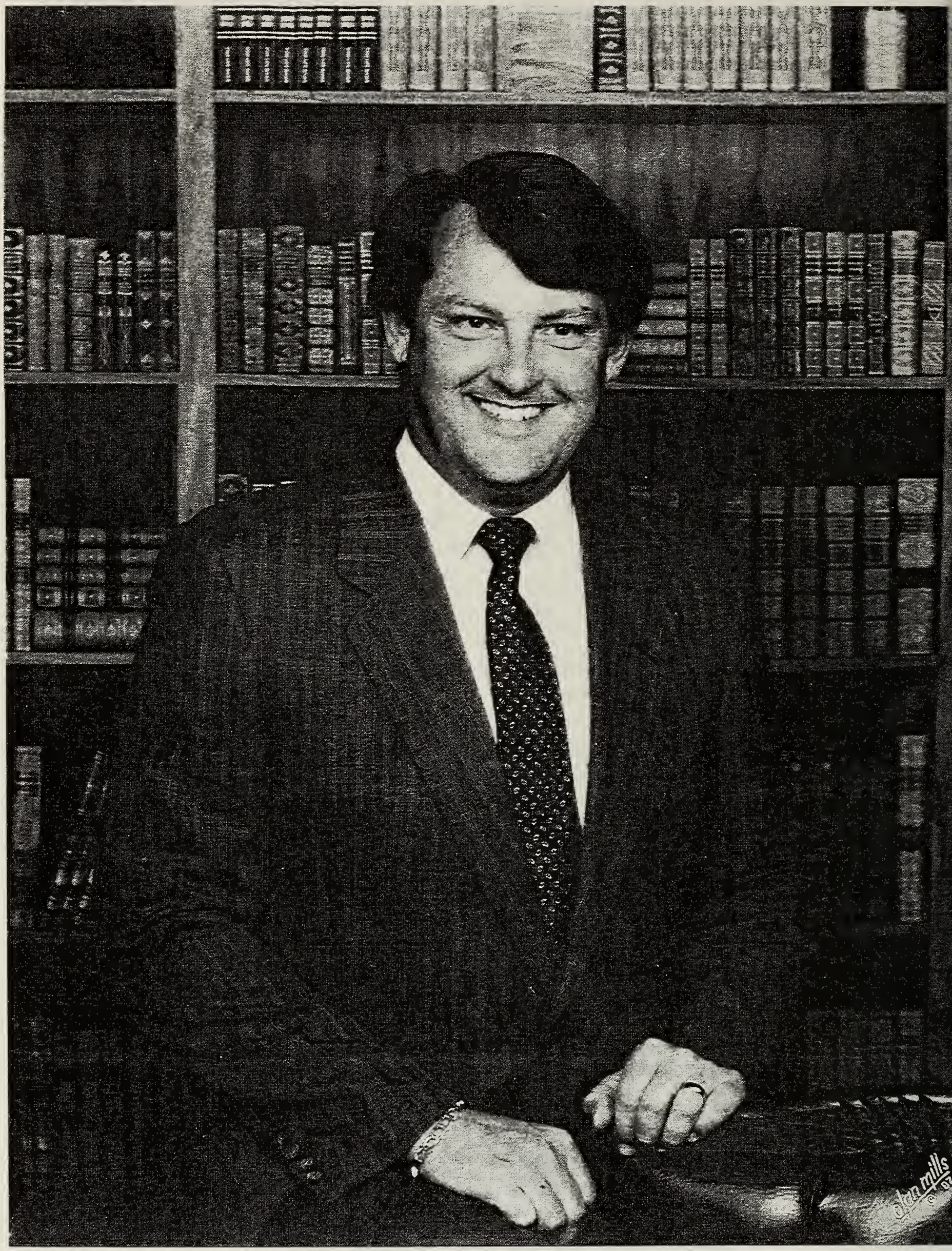
George Andrew Lear and Daisy May Ward Lear
Catherine (Cathy) Sevigny Terrell and Mark Clayton Terrell
Burlington, MA 06 June 1970



MARK CLAYTON TERRELL
1987

THE MASSACHUSETTS TERRELLS (1987)
(BACK ROW) MICHAEL ADAM, JENNIFER ANN, MARK CLAYTON, DIANNA LYNN
(FRONT ROW) DAVID ANDREW, CATHERINE (CATHY) SEVIGNY TERRELL

THE MASSACHUSETTS TERRELLS (1991)
DAVID ANDREW, JENNIFER ANN, MICHAEL ADAM, DIANNA LYNN TERRELL

SEVEN GRANDCHILDREN WHILE VISITING GRANDPA AND GRANDMA IN ITHACA, NY (1993)
DIANNA LYNN TERRELL, DAVID ANDREW TERRELL, MICHAEL ADAM TERRELL
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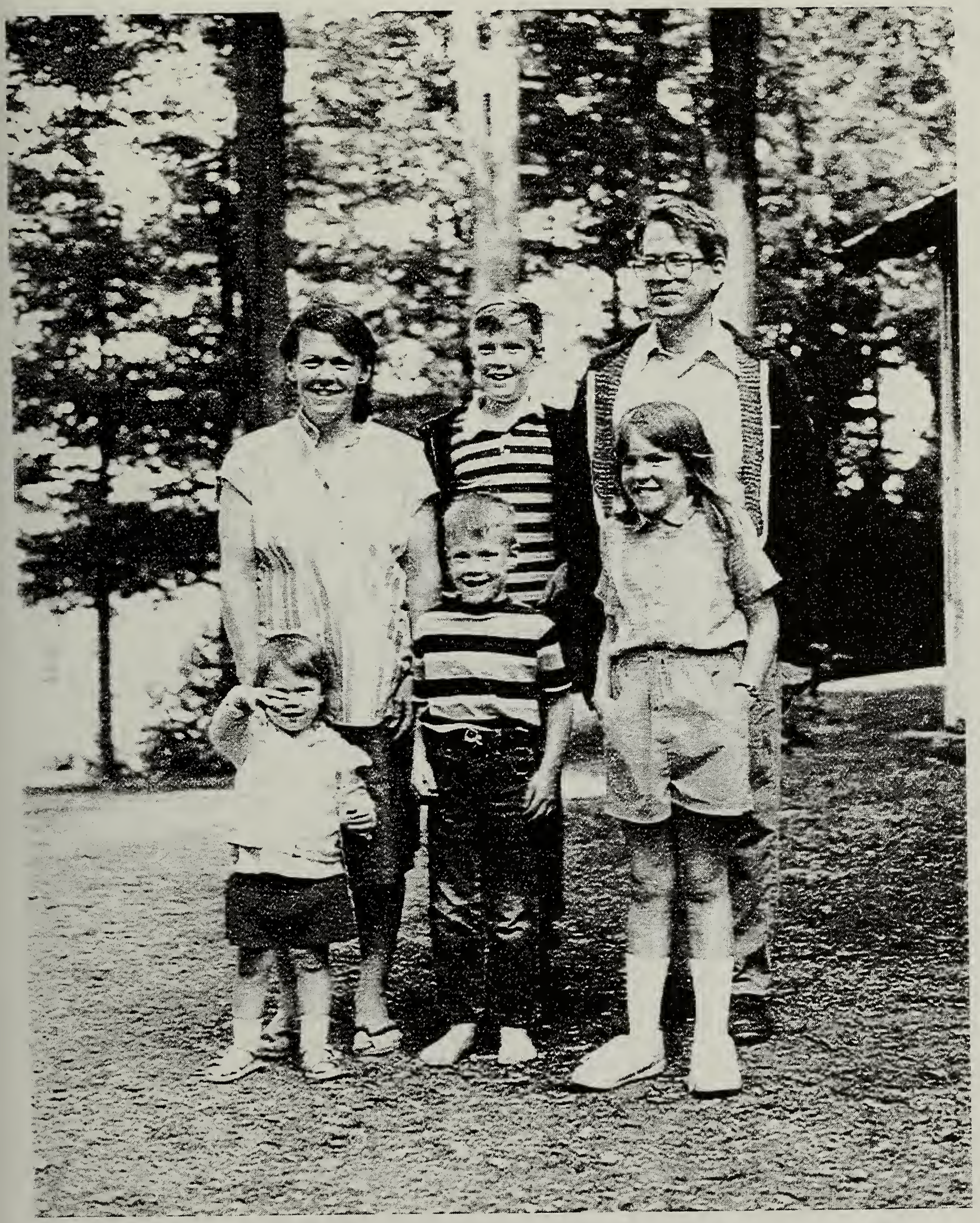
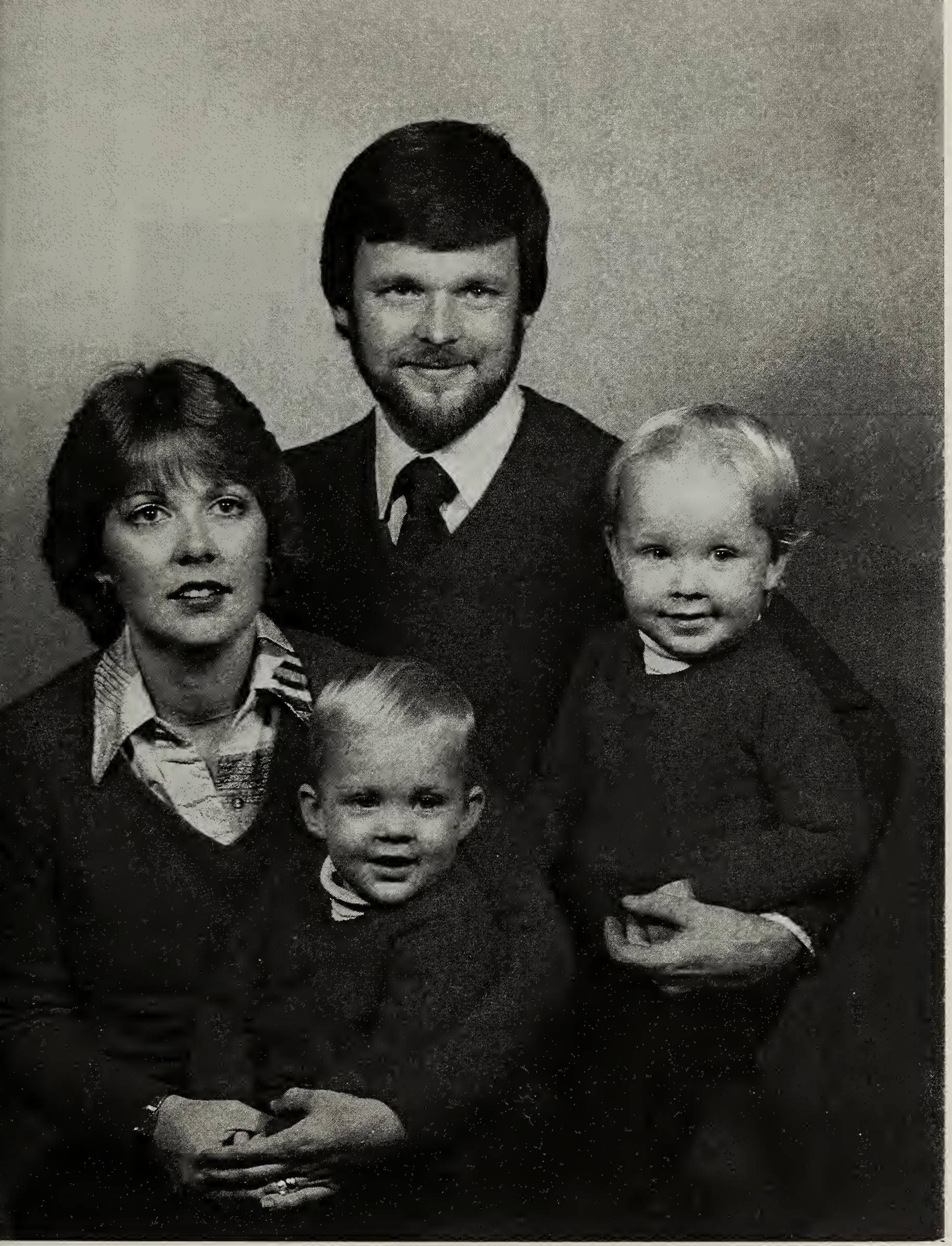
Lynn Ellen Terrell (Scoles)
Wooster, Ohio Spring 1977

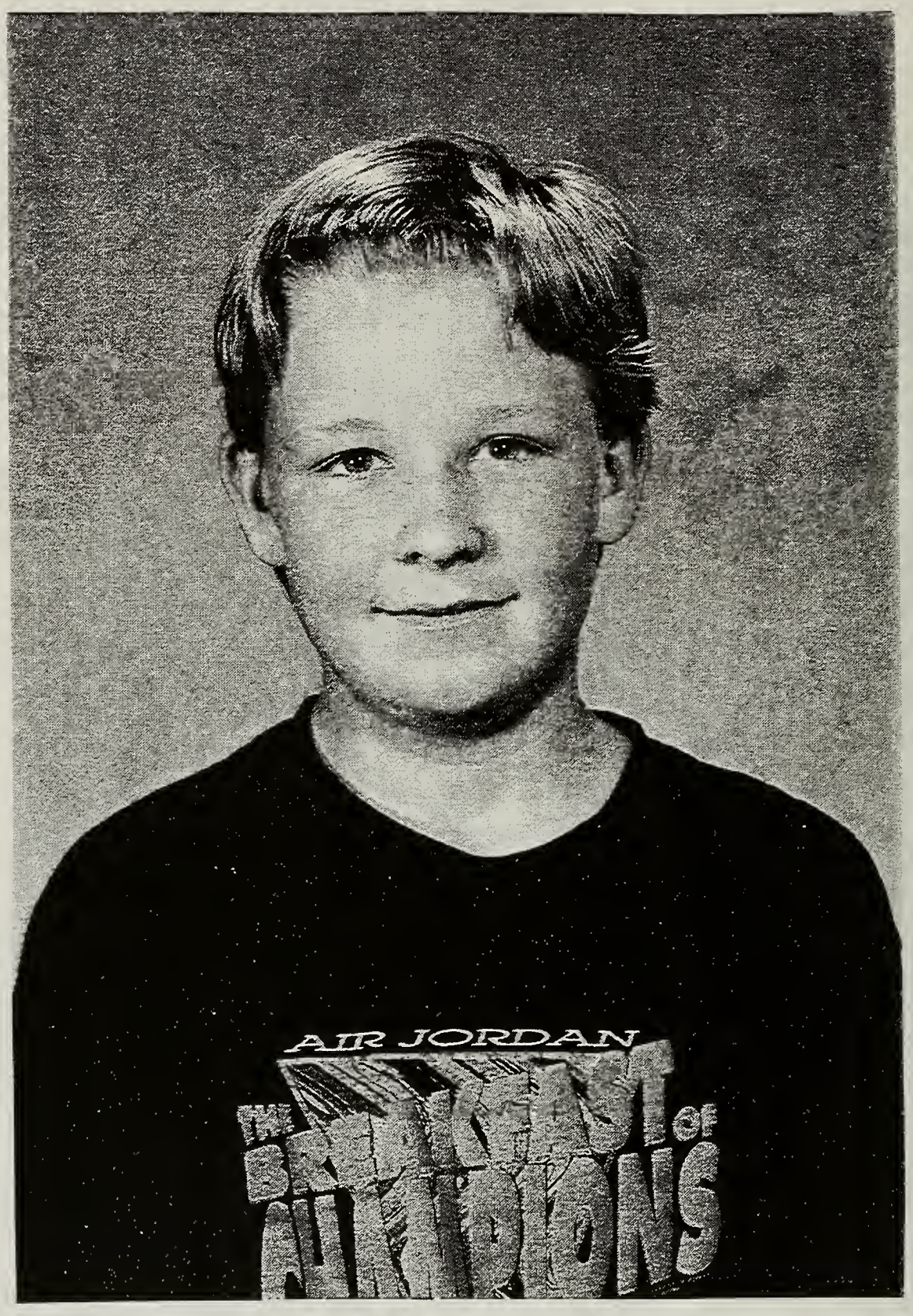


THE SCOLES FAMILY WHILE AT DWYER PARK, LITTLE YORK, NY (WARD FAMILY REUNION 1989)
(BACK ROW) LYNN ELLEN TERRELL SCOLES, PHILIP GRANT SCOLES, FREDERICK GRANT SCOLES
(FRONT ROW) RUTH ANN SCOLES, ERIC LEON SCOLES, LISA ELLEN SCOLES

Dana Lee Terrell at the 1973 Ithaca High School Marching Band Summer Camp



Nona Lei Turner Terrell and Bruce Alan Terrell
Jodi Lei Terrell and Joshua Alan Terrell
Sikeston, Missouri 1984



JOSHUA ALAN TERRELL
1993

JODI LEI TERRELL
1993

THE NEW YORK TERRELLS AT MARK'S AND CATHY'S WEDDING (MASSACHUSETTS 1970)
DANA LEE, DONALD LEON, MARGARET ELLEN LEAR, CATHERINE (CATHY) SEVIGNY,
MARK CLAYTON, LYNN ELLEN, BRUCE ALAN

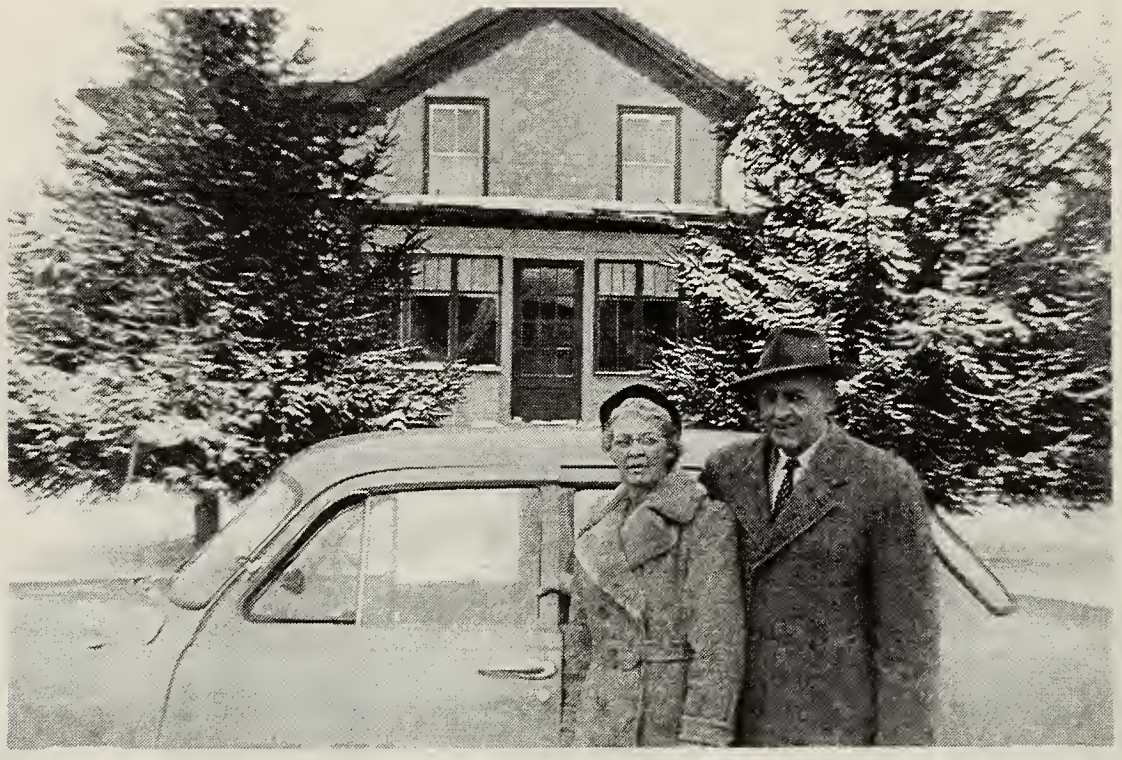
4 Generations June 1948 Mecklenburg, NY
Donald Terrell holding Mark Terrell, Daisy Ward Lear, George Andrew Lear
Frank C. Ward, Sr., Florence Faure Ward, Margaret Lear Terrell

3 Generations June 1948
Leon K. Terrell, George A. Lear
Clara LeRoy Terrell, Daisy Ward Lear
Frank C. Ward, Sr., Florence Faure Ward
Mark Clayton Terrell

Lynn Terrell (Scoles), Donald Terrell
Mark Terrell, Margaret Lear Terrell
Front: Dana and Bruce Terrell
16 Squires St., Cortland, NY. Easter 1963

DONALD LEON TERRELL AND MARGARET ELLEN LEAR TERRELL
1944
DURING WORLD WAR II

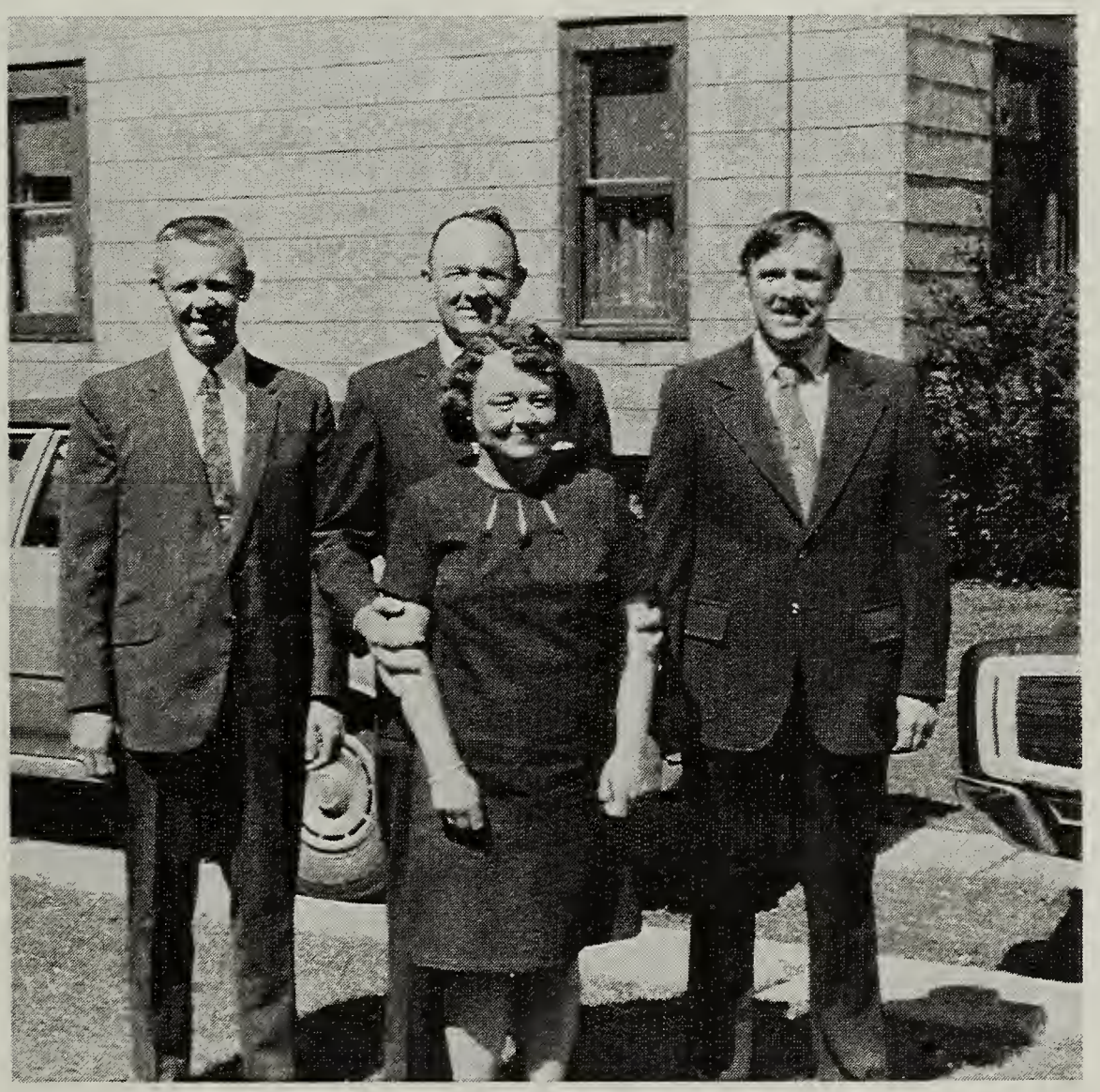
DONALD LEON TERRELL AND MARGARET ELLEN LEAR TERRELL
1993
ON THEIR 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY TRIPS



January or February, 1955
Daisy May Ward Lear and George Andrew Lear standing by their new car in front of their home in Virgil, New York. (House burned in 1970's from hot snowmobile parked on porch. Had been sold and George and Daisy had moved to Cortland several years before.)

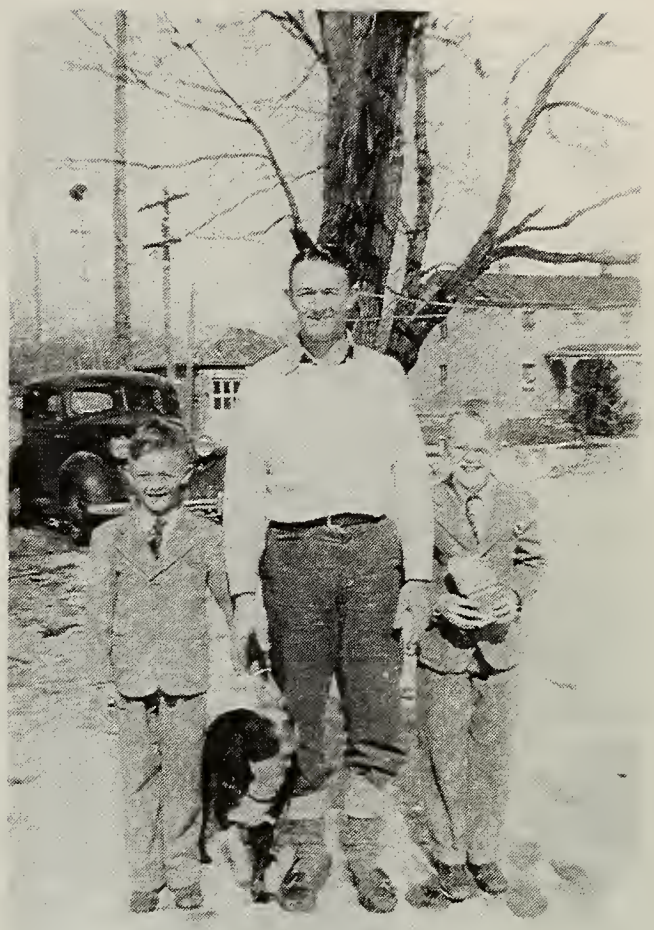
George Andrew Lear and Daisy May Ward Lear in back yard of above home in Virgil, New York. 1956

Dale Everett Lear and Roger Edgar Lear
Margaret Ellen Lear Terrell and Wayne Arden Lear



Roger Edgar Lear, Wayne Arden Lear, Dale Everett Lear
Margaret Ellen Lear Terrell

Wayne Arden Lear 1944



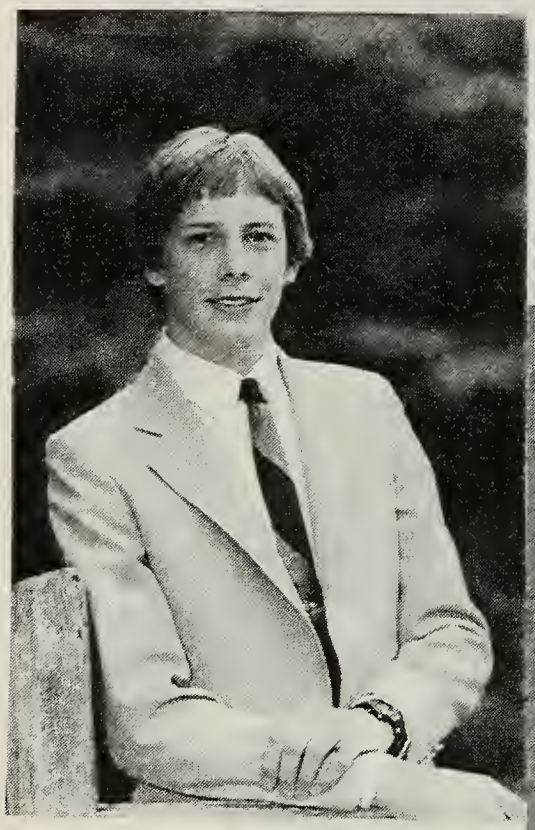
Dale, Lucky, Wayne and Roger Lear 1945
Directly above car on high tower is old Virgil Fire Siren/Noon whistle. Village people turned it off for 3-4 days when the sound frightened Wayne (about 4 years old), very ill with pneumonia.

The 4 children of George Andrew and Daisy May Ward Lear 1987
Dale Everett Lear, Margaret Ellen Lear Terrell
Roger Edgar Lear, Wayne Arden Lear

ROGER, WAYNE, MARION, JIM DALE, ANN LEHR
APRIL DALE
- PIANNA, LORI, PAMELA, KRISTEN, ANN, JUNE, LUKE
MIKE CLAIRE ADAM
LEHR LAMON

JUNE 1993

MILNE HOME, SKANEATELES, NY



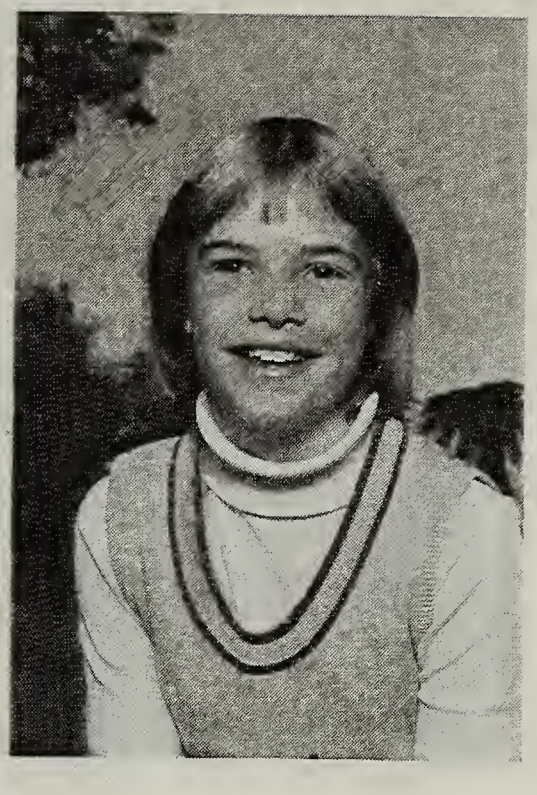
Roger Edgar Lear and Ann Louise Severn Lear

Kyle Eric Lear

Kirk Alan Lear

Kyle Eric Lear and Kirk Alan Lear

Kirk Alan Lear and Susan Dianna Peterson Lear with Trevor Ryan Lear



Dale Everett Lear and Kathleen "Kathi" Doris Radl Lear
Pamela Jean Lear Dianna Lynn Lear

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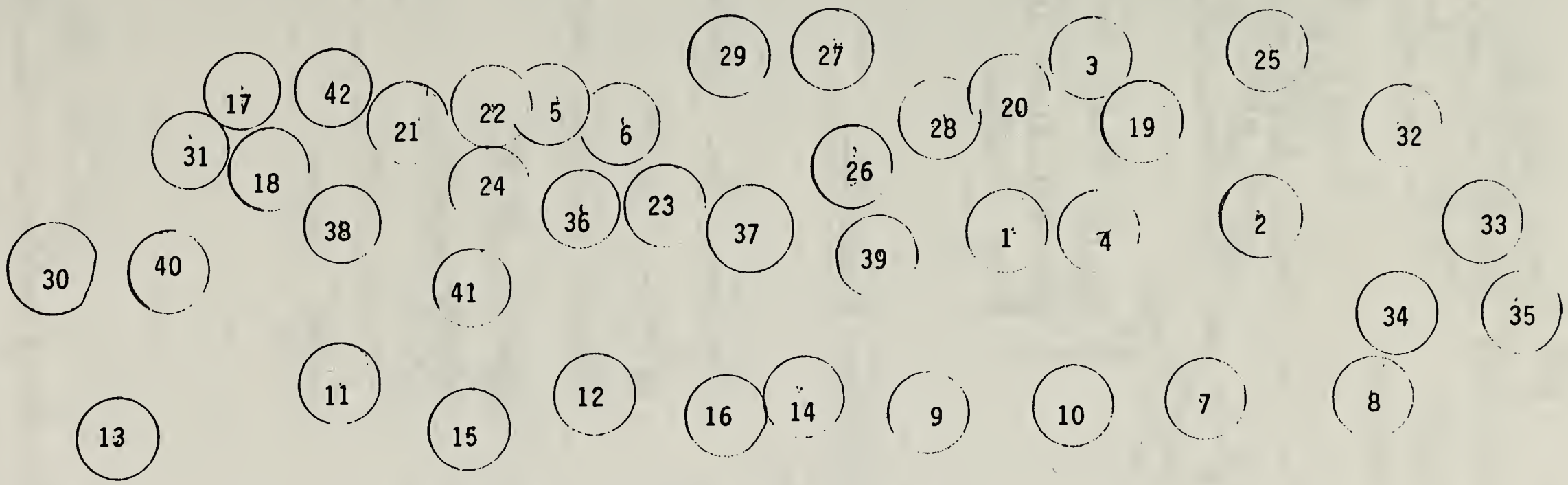
Florence Elon Faure Ward

Four Generations - July 27, 1952
Florence Elon Faure Ward 1875 - 1958
Lynn Ellen Terrell (Scoles) b. 1949
Daisy May Ward Lear 1897 - 1972
Margaret Ellen Lear Terrell b. 1925

ROGER & ANN, MARION, DIANNA, PAMELA LEAR (FERRIS) July 1994 KATHY (RAUL), WAYNE, DALE, JUNE LAMON (LEAR), APRIL & JIM DALE (LEAR)

WARD REUNION 1990
Durkee Park, Rt. 11, Homer, NY
(See Chart of names below)



1. Muriel Ward Trapp
2. Jean Trapp Barrile
3. Donald Terrell
4. Margaret Lear Terrell
5. Mark Terrell
6. Catherine Sevigny Terrell
7. Jennifer Terrell
8. Dianna Terrell
9. Michael Terrell
10. David Terrell
11. Fred Scoles
12. Lynn Terrell Scoles
13. Philip Scoles
14. Lisa Scoles
15. Eric Scoles
16. Ruth Ann Scoles
17. Wayne Lear
18. Marion Ferris Lear
19. James Dale
20. April Lear Dale
21. James Milne
22. Lori Lear Milne
23. Adam Milne
24. Claire Milne
25. Otto Meier
26. Mary Jane Lear Meier
27. Dale Lear
28. Kathi Radl Lear
29. Dianna Lear
30. Donald Ward
31. Mark Robbins (Don's grandson)
32. Jay Caywood
33. Missy Caywood
34. David Caywood
35. Robert Caywood
36. Robert Wheeler
37. Barbara Woodward Wheeler
38. David Wheeler
39. Kyle Wheeler
40. Alesha Wheeler
41. Jodi Wheeler
42. Chadd Wheeler

WARD REUNION 1990

Durkee Park, Rt. 11, Homer, NY

G.G. Andrew Henard Lear
Pennsylvania Dutch
G.G.G. Jonathen Lear
• Martha Meriah Richardson

G.G. Levina Hill Lear
GGG Dicy Hill
Andy Hill

Levina was married before to an Anderson

Grandpa Family

~~Oscar L~~ Albin Lear
Edgar Lear
Oscar Lear
Fred Lear

Myrtle Anderson
James Anderson (D)
Dicy Anderson

Least Andrew Lear Burden & seaton
George Lear Preston
Dave Lear
Joe Lear
Andrew Lear
John Lear
William Lear
Eliza.
Hanna
Ann

Levina Lear Bennett
Johnie Hill
Charles William Hill
Andy Hill
Liggy Hill
Connie Hill
Tildy Hill

Andrew Henard Lear
Levina Hill Lear
Dau

Information from {Nellie Lear (Dorman)
George A. Lear Jr.
Margaret Lear Twelkmeyer 1950

Grandpa Davis (maternal) English
Grandma Davis German

Grandpa Brewer (Paternal) Irish & Welsh
Grandma Brewer Scotch Irish

½ Irish ½ Carolina

For Margaret dear Verrel
about 1950
from
Geo & Nellie dear

The two pages of names which started the book you hold in your hands!

No. 9356.

Marriage License

1920.
191___

Genesee County, Michigan.

To any person legally authorized to solemnize marriage,

Greeting:

Marriage May Be Solemnized Between

Mr. George A. Lear and Miss Daisy M. Ward,

affidavit having been filed in this office, as provided by Public Act No. 128, Laws of 1887, as amended, by which it appears that said George A. Lear is 22 years of age, color is White, residence is Flint, Mich., and birthplace was Ill., occupation is Inspector, father's name Edward Lear, and mother's maiden name was Nellie Brewer, has been previously married no times; and that said Daisy M. Ward is 23 years of age, color is White, residence is Flint, Mich. and birthplace was Buffalo, N.Y., occupation is Home, father's name Frank Ward, and mother's maiden name was Florence Faure, and who has been previously married no times, and whose maiden name was _____, and whose _____ consent, in case she
Parent's or Guardian's
has not attained the age of eighteen years, has been filed in my office.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto attached my hand and the seal of Genesee County, Michigan, this 15th day of April, A. D. 1920.

L. S.

Ruth M. Gale
County Clerk

_____ Deputy

Certificate of Marriage.

Between Mr. George A. Lear and Miss Daisy M. Ward

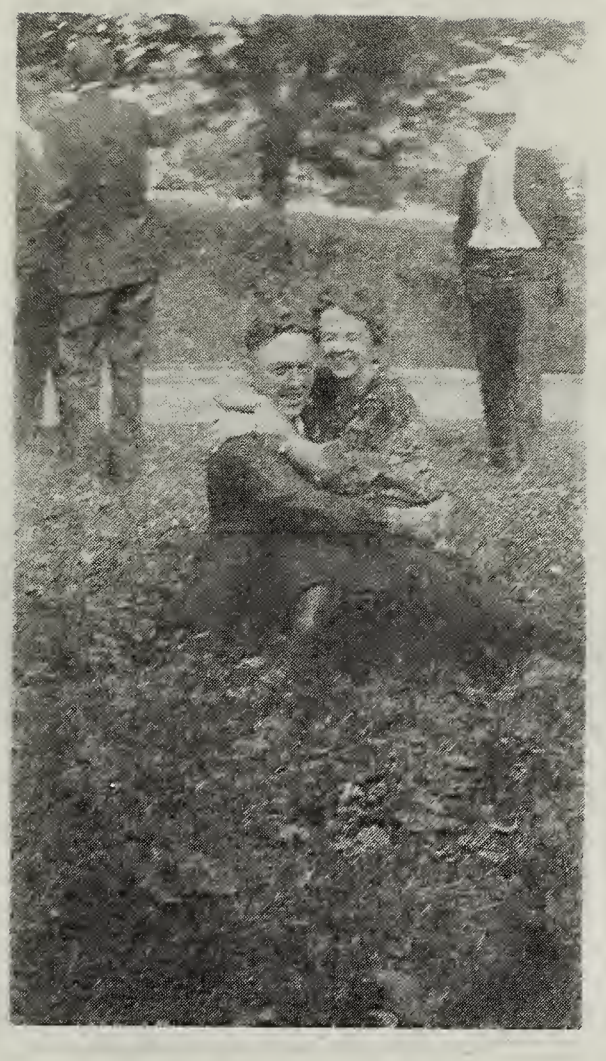
I Hereby Certify that, in accordance with the above license, the persons herein mentioned were joined in marriage by me, at Flint, County of Genesee, Michigan, on the 15th day of April, A. D. 1920, in the presence of Frank C. Ward, of Flint, and George R. Waite, of Flint, as witnesses.

K. Alexander
Name of Magistrate or Clergyman.

Vicar, Christ Church
Official Title.

THIS DUPLICATE must be delivered by the person solemnizing marriage to one of the parties joined in marriage.

Frank Ward, Sr.



Melvin Trapp

George and Daisy Ward Lear
Ward Farm, Virgil, New York

George Lear, 4 children, 3 daughter-in-laws,
1 son-in-law, and 10 of an even dozen grandchildren.
Oldest grandchild, Mark Terrell, was living/working
in Massachusetts. Next oldest, Lynn Terrell (Scoles),
was taking picture. Daisy Ward Lear had died in Spring 1972.

George Andrew Lear (back row, first tall boy from left)
Lee Lear (Cannon) (middle of group, dark dress, white collar/cuffs)
Faye Lear (McAllister) (front row, large white bow in hair)
Victory School

George Andrew Lear Lee Lear (Cannon)
Faye Lear (McAllister)

George, Daisy, Roger, Wayne, Dale, Margaret Lear
1940 Illinois Trip. Visiting Nellie Lear in Bethel, Illinois.

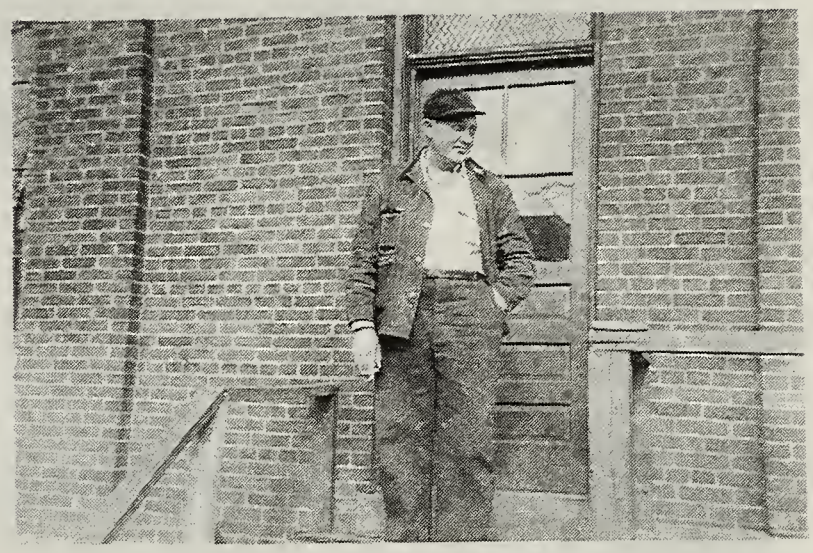
Wayne, Nellie, George, Edgar Lear
Front: Dale, Mark Terrell, Roger, Daisy Lear
Margaret Lear Terrell holding Lynn Terrell, Edith Brewer.
Nellie's side yard, Bethel, Illinois April 1950

Off to a fish fry - Illinois 1931
Margaret Lear, Elsie and Guy Grady
Marilyn Grady held by Edgar Lear, George Lear

Rear View!

Nellie Brewer Lear, grandson Donald Sandman,
and her flock of chickens.

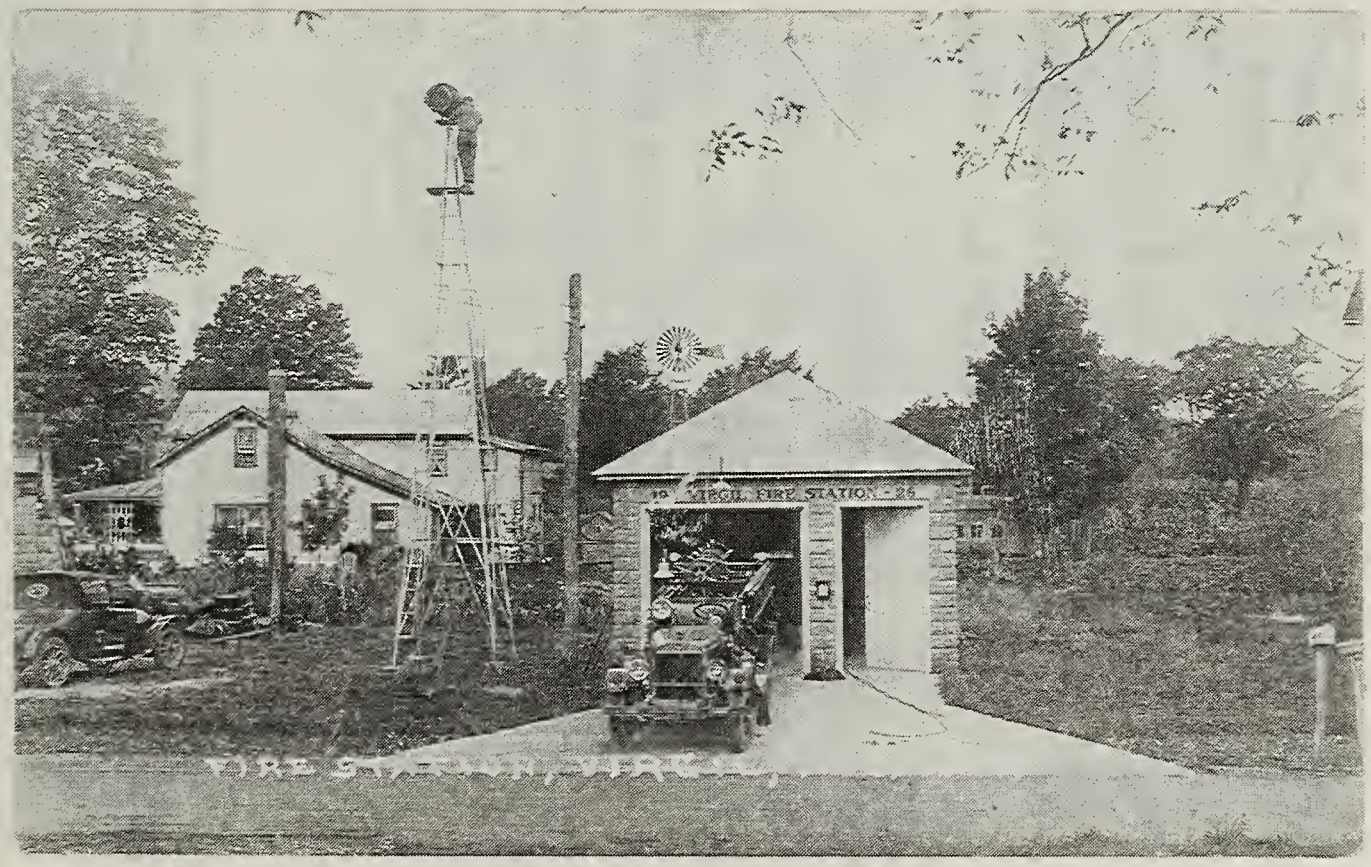
A young George Lear, new resident
of Flint, Michigan, with
Trojan Laundry Company truck.
1918



George Lear, 21 Dec 1951,
employed 30 years
in Cortland, New York
by Delaware, Lackawanna
and Western Railroad.
Freight Office/House behind
him. Worked here until
1967 and retirement.

George Lear, retirement
age, standing by
railroad tracks near
Olean, New York on visit
to Rex and Emma Ward.
As a young boy in
Illinois, he loved the
exciting sound of the
trains whistling.

Early 1900 pictures of Virgil, New York,
area where George and Daisy Ward Lear lived from 1924 - 1959.



Early 1900 pictures of Virgil, New York,
area where George and Daisy Ward Lear lived from 1924 - 1959.

MARRIAGE LICENSE

THE PEOPLE
OF THE
STATE OF ILLINOIS, COUNTY OF BROWN.

To any person legally authorized to solemnize Marriage Greeting.

Marriage may be celebrated

Between Mr. Edgar Lear of Versailles
in the County of Brown and State of Illinois
of the age of 21 years and he is Nellie A Brewer
of Versailles in the County of Brown and State of
Illinois of the age of 22 years.

Witness EDWARD PURCELL, County Clerk and the seal of said County at his Office in Mt. Sterling in said County this 19th day of Jan A.D. 1895

Edward Purcell County Clerk.

By _____ Deputy County Clerk

State of Illinois } ss.
BROWN COUNTY. }

I William Sifferon a Justice of the Peace hereby certify that Mr. Edgar Lear and Miss Nellie A Brewer were united in Marriage by me at Mt Sterling in the County of Brown and State of Illinois on the 19 day of Jan A.D. 1895

William Sifferon
Justice of the Peace

No 2221

Marriage License.

ADULT.

Edgar Lear
AND
Nellie A Brewer

Issued Jan 19 1895

Returned Jan 19 1895

Registered Jan 19 1895

On Page 183 of Marriage Register.

Filed ____ 189

Clerk.

By ____

Deputy.

STATE BOARD OF HEALTH REGISTER.

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ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF HEALTH.

Return of a Marriage to County Clerk.

1. Full name of Groom, Edward Lear [EDGAR]
2. Place of residence, Versailles Ill.
3. Occupation, Farmer
4. Age next birthday, 22 years. Color, White Race, White
5. Place of birth, Brown Co. Ill.
6. Father's name, Andrew Lear
7. Mother's maiden name, Elvira Hill [LAVINA]
8. Number of groom's marriage, One
9. Full name of BRIDE, Nellie A Brewer
   Maiden name, if a widow, ____
10. Place of Residence, Versailles Ill.
11. Age next birthday, 23 years. Color, White Race, White
12. Place of birth, Brown Co. Ill.
13. Father's name, George Brewer
14. Mother's maiden name, Melinda Davis
15. Number of bride's marriage, one
16. Married at Mt Sterling in the County of Brown and State of Illinois, the 19 day of Jan 1895
17. Witnesses to marriage, J. E. Brewer
    Charles Honefinger

N. B.—At Nos. 3 and 15 state whether 1st, 2d, 3d, 4th, &c., marriage of each. At 17 give names of subscribing witnesses to the Marriage Certificate. If no subscribing witnesses, give names of two persons who witnessed the ceremony.

Jan. 19 1895

We hereby certify that the information above given is correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Edgar Lear [GROOM.]

Nellie A Lear [BRIDE.]

I hereby certify that the above is a correct return of a Marriage solemnized by me.

William Whitfirow
Justice of the Peace

Dated at Mt Sterling this 19 day of Jan 1895

For Data Returns to be carefully filled out and returned with the Marriage License. This return does not take the place of the Certificate which comes attached to the License, but is IN ADDITION THERETO.

STATE OF ILLINOIS — NUMBER 2

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

DECEDENT'S BIRTH NO

REGISTRATION DISTRICT NO 69.0 — REGISTERED NUMBER 458

1. PLACE OF DEATH — a. STATE: ILLINOIS — b. COUNTY: Morgan — c. ☒ INSIDE corporate limits and in City, Village, or Incorporated Town: Jacksonville Illinois — d. ☐ OUTSIDE corporate limits and in Township name / Road District No — e. LENGTH OF STAY IN THIS PLACE

f. NAME OF HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION: Our Saviours Hospital — g. LENGTH OF STAY IN HOSP.: 3 Weeks — h. If not in hospital or institution give Street & No. or R.F.D. and Post Office

2. USUAL RESIDENCE (Where deceased lived, not where death occurred) — a. STATE: Illinois — b. COUNTY: Morgan — c. ☐ INSIDE corporate limits and in City, Village, or Incorporated Town — d. ☒ OUTSIDE corporate limits and in Township name / Road District No. 4 — e. LENGTH OF RESIDENCE AT 2c or 2d: 50 Yrs — f. RESIDENCE ADDRESS (Street & No. or R.F.D. and Post Office) — g. Did decedent reside ON A FARM? YES ☒ NO ☐

3. NAME OF DECEASED — a. FIRST: Nellie — b. MIDDLE: Ann — c. LAST: Dorman — 4. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH) (DAY) (YEAR): 7-4-1962

5. SEX: Female — 6. RACE: White — 7. MARRIED NEVER MARRIED WIDOWED DIVORCED (specify): Widowed — 8. DATE OF BIRTH: 8-4-1872 — 9. AGE (in years last birthday): 89 — If under 1 year MONTHS / DAYS — If under 24 hrs HOURS / MIN

10a. USUAL OCCUPATION: Housekeeper — 10b. KIND OF BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY: Own Home — 11. BIRTHPLACE (City and state or foreign country): Brown Co Illinois — 12. Citizen of what country? U S A

13. FATHER'S FULL NAME: George Brewer — 14. MOTHER'S FULL MAIDEN NAME: Hulda Davis

15. Was deceased ever in U.S. Armed Forces? (Yes, no, or unknown) / Give war or dates of service: No — 16. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER: None

17. INFORMANT — a. SIGNATURE: ▶ Mrs Faye McAllister — b. ADDRESS: Concord Illinois — c. RELATIONSHIP TO DECEASED: Daughter

18. MEDICAL CAUSE OF DEATH

PART I: DEATH WAS CAUSED BY (Enter only one cause per line for a, b, and c.)

IMMEDIATE CAUSE (A): Circulatory failure

Conditions, if any, which gave rise to the above IMMEDIATE CAUSE (A), stating the UNDERLYING cause last: (B) Myocardial weakness

(C) C.H.D (C. H.D.)

INTERVAL BETWEEN ONSET AND DEATH

PART II: OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH BUT NOT RELATED TO THE TERMINAL CONDITION GIVEN IN PART I: Due to Age Cer. Brain Syd-rome (Age and brain syndrome due to Arteriosclerosis)

19. AUTOPSY? YES ☐ NO ☒

19a. DATE OF OPERATION, IF ANY: None — 19b. MAJOR FINDINGS OF OPERATION: N/A.

NOTE: If an injury was involved in this death, the Coroner must be notified.

21. I hereby certify that I attended the deceased from 6-12-1962 to 7-4-1962 that I last saw the deceased alive on 7-4-1962 and death occurred at 7:30 P.M. from the causes and on the date stated above.

Signature ▶ C. Kizlauskas M.D. — License Number 36-34416 — Date Nov. 28

Address Winnester Ill Winchester, Ill. — Phone 742-3157

22. DISPOSITION: BURIAL ☒ REMOVAL ☐ CREMATION ☐ Date 7-7-1962 — CEMETERY: Chapin — LOCATION: Rd Dist #6 Morgan Co Ill.

23. FUNERAL DIRECTOR: Williamson Funeral — SIGNATURE ▶ Walter K. Schuman — ADDRESS: 210 West College Ave Jacksonville Illinois — License No. F5729

24. Received for Bureau of Vital Statistics: July 6, 1962 — Signed: Betty Freitag, Deputy — James W. Chapman — LOCAL REGISTRAR

VS & R 200—BUREAU OF STATISTICS—ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

1941 revision based on the U. S. Standard Certificate of Death

CAUSE OF DEATH

THE AUTHORITY FOR ILLINOIS

61 — 355

(ILLINOIS) JACKSONVILLE COURIER JULY 5, 1962 THURSDAY

Nellie A. Dorman Of Chapin Dies At Our Saviour's

Mrs. Nellie Ann Dorman of the Chapin community died at Our Saviour's hospital at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday where she had been a patient for the past three weeks. She was born in Brown county, Aug. 4, 1872, a daughter of George and Hulda Davis Brewer.

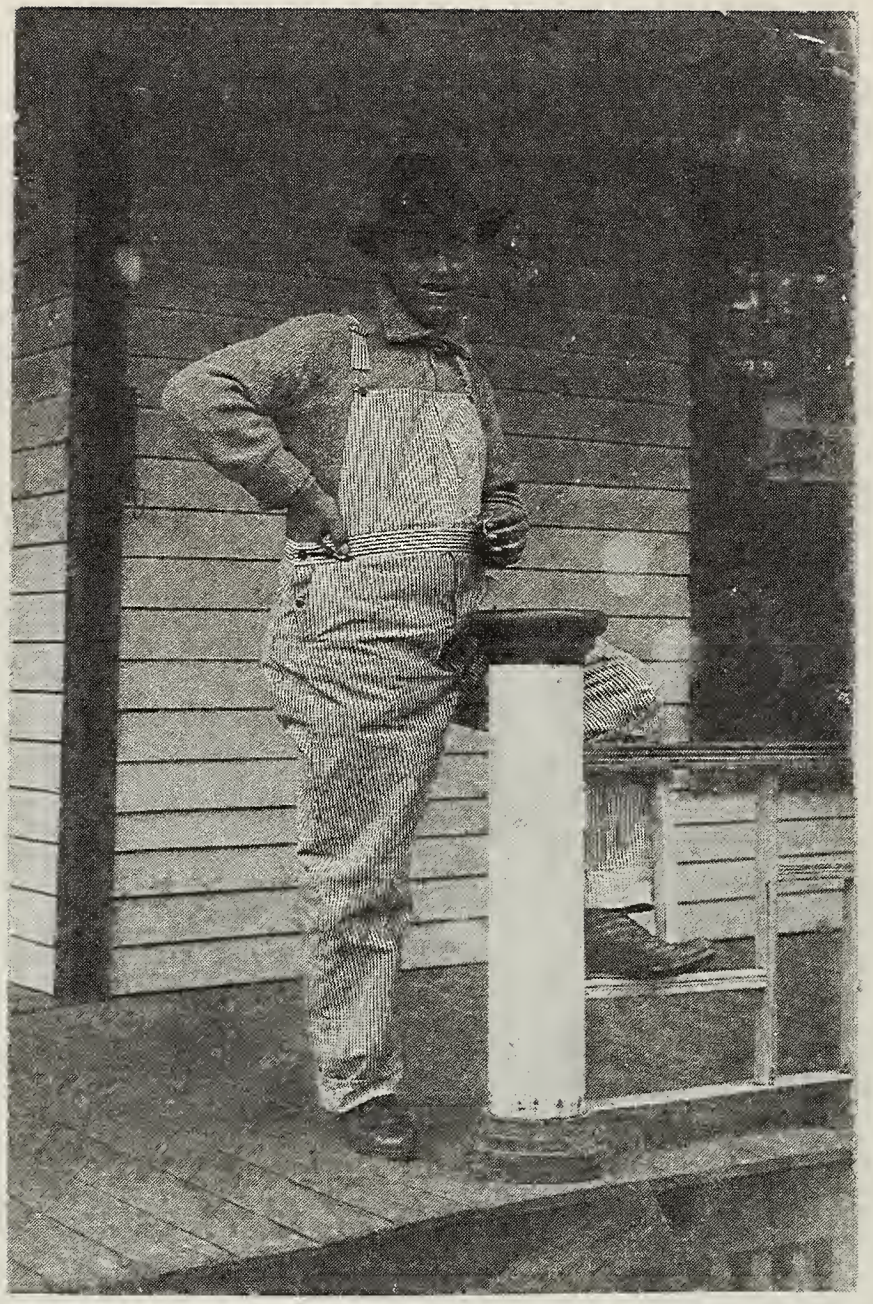
She was first married to Edgar Lear and later to Walter Dorman, both of whom preceded her in death.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Lee, wife of Jesse Cannon of Winchester, and Faye, wife of Robert McAllister of Concord; one son George Lear of Courtland, N.Y. One son and one daughter preceded her in death. One brother, Seth Brewer of Flint, Mich., Mrs. Lou Lewis, a sister, also of Flint, survive with 17 grandchildren and 28 great-grandchildren.

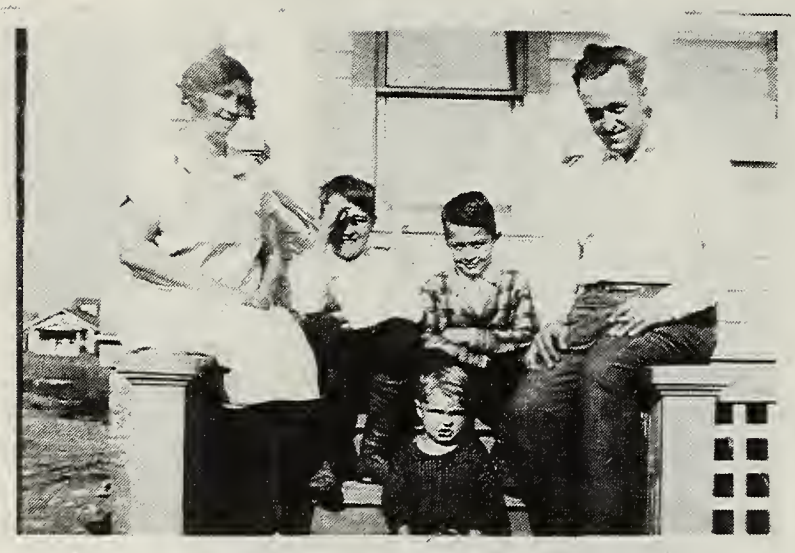
The remains were removed to the Williamson Funeral home where services will be held Saturday at 2 p.m., Brother W. E. Thurmond officiating. Interment will be in Chapin cemetery. The family will meet friends at the funeral home Friday evening from 7:30 to 9 p.m.

Nellie Ann Brewer (Lear Dorman)
4 August 1872 - 4 July 1962

Nellie Ann Brewer Lear Dorman
with her Ford Model T
Chapin, Illinois 25 July 1942



Ford Edgar Lear
Eldest child of Edgar and Nellie Brewer Lear

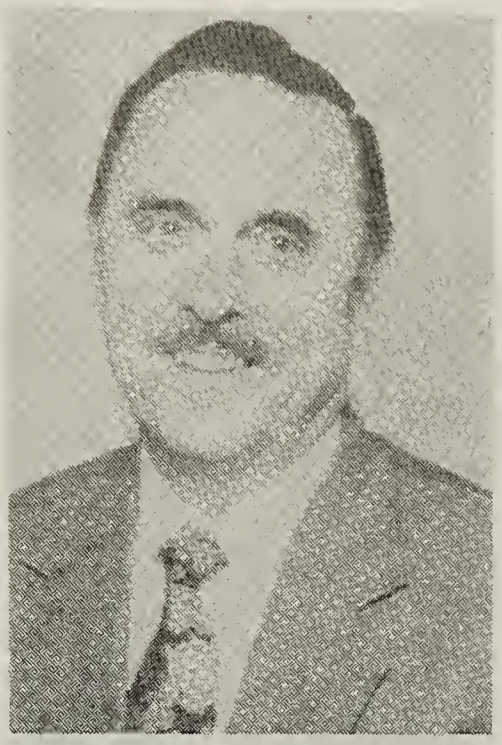


Florence Isabel "Belle" Lung Lear,
Floyd, Robert, Ford Lear
Donald Lear (on bottom step).
Flint, Michigan

Dale and Nancy Lear
with parents, Robert and
Ruth Lear. July 18, 1965

Jesse Cannon, Daisy Lear, Lee Lear Cannon

Bill and Bonnie Gail Cannon, Roger and Daisy Lear, Donna Faye, Betty Ann and Lee Cannon. About 1946.



David Lee Cannon

David Lee Cannon, 57, of rural Winchester, died Wednesday evening, Nov. 23, 1994, at St. John's Hospital in Springfield, Illinois.

He was born Feb. 28, 1937, in Bluffs, a son of Jesse Lee and Hulda L. Lear Cannon. He married Judy Gibbs on June 3, 1972, in Carrollton. She survives at rural Winchester.

He is also survived by three sons, David Bryan (wife Tammy) of Winchester and Jesse E. "Ed" and Joshua T., both living at home; three daughters, Mrs. Ray (Karen) Cannon Held and Karla Marie, both of Winchester, and Mrs. Kevin (Patricia L.) Kaegy of Greenville; two grandchildren, Beth Ann and Nathan Kaegy; three sisters, Mrs. Charles (Betty A.) Bruce of Roodhouse, Mrs. Kenneth (Bonnie G.) Stice and Donna F. Sacramento, both of Jacksonville, and one niece, Mrs. Robert (Sheryl) LaKamp of Jacksonville.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, William E., and a nephew, Greg Bruce.

Mr. Cannon was a self-employed contractor for more than 30 years and most recently was an insurance representative for Royal Neighbors of America and was a member of the Royal Neighbors Society. He was active in the Roodhouse Assembly of God church, where he served on the church board, as a Sunday School teacher and as a worship leader.

Mr. Cannon served in the U.S. Air National Guard and was a member of the Winchester American Legion. He was also a member of the National Rifle Association and was well known for his love of music and guitar playing.

Robert and Faye Lucille Lear McAllister

Keith Norton McAllister
1930 - 1984

(Robert) Dean McAllister

Faye Lucille Lear McAllister in 1994
Jacksonville, IL

Faye Lear McAllister & George Lear
Sister and Brother

Robert and Faye Lear McAllister

Keith and Mona Kershaw McAllister

Robert with Mona and Keith's
son, Patrick McAllister

5.

COUNTY CLERK'S RECORD

1. PLACE OF DEATH

County SCHUYLER

Township or Road Dist. }

or Incorp. Town or Village or City } RUSHVILLE

Registration Dist. No. 3621

Primary Dist. No.

STATE OF ILLINOIS

State Board of Health - - Bureau of Vital Statistics

STANDARD

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

Registered No. 24

[If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME instead of street and number.]

No. St.; Ward

2. FULL NAME Andrew Lear

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3. SEX: Male

4. COLOR OR RACE: White

5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED (Write the word): Married

6. DATE OF BIRTH: March 9, 1852 (Month) (Day) (Year)

7. AGE: 64 yrs. 7 mos. 10 ds. If LESS than 1 day, hrs. OR min.?

8. OCCUPATION
(a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work: Laborer
(b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer):

9. BIRTHPLACE (State or country): Pennsylvania

PARENTS

10. NAME OF FATHER: John Lear

11. BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (State or country): Pennsylvania

12. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER: Mariah Richardson

13. BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (State or country): Pennsylvania

14. THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

(Informant) Lavina Lear

(Address) RUSHVILLE, ILLINOIS

15. Filed Oct 19, 1916 G. L. Beard Registrar

CORONER'S CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16. DATE OF DEATH: October 19, 1916 (Month) (Day) (Year)

17. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I took charge of the remains of the deceased herein described, held an inquest thereon and (Inquest, Autopsy or Inquiry) from the evidence obtained find that said deceased came to his death (His or Her) on the date stated above and that

The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:

Heart Failure

(Duration) yrs. mos. ds

Contributory (Secondary)

(Duration) yrs. mos. ds.

(Signed) I. M. Sparks, Coroner

(Address) RUSHVILLE, ILLINOIS

Date Oct. 19, 1916 Telephone 8007

18. LENGTH OF RESIDENCE (For Hospitals, Institutions, Transients, or Recent Residents)

At place of death yrs. mos. ds. In the State yrs. mos. ds

Where was disease contracted, if not at place of death?

Former or usual residence

19. PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL: Rushville Cemetery — DATE OF BURIAL: Oct 21, 1916

20. UNDERTAKER: R. A. Lawley — ADDRESS: RUSHVILLE

*State the DISEASE CAUSING DEATH, or, in deaths from VIOLENT CAUSES, state (1) MEANS OF INJURY; and (2) whether ACCIDENTAL, SUICIDAL, or HOMICIDAL

(Illinois)
Rushville Times
26 Oct 1916 Page 4

Obituary.

Andrew Lear was born in Bedford county, Penn., March 15, 1852, and departed this life October 19, 1916. He was united in marriage to Lavina Mills and to this union six children were born. Two have preceded him and four survive, viz: Alvin, Oscar and Fred of Rushville and Edgar of Chapin, Ill.

At the time of his sudden death the deceased was not a member of any church, but was a good man and always was thinking of the welfare of his family, and won friends wherever he went by his unselfish and good deeds. He will be greatly missed, but our loss is heavenly gain.

Besides his wife and four sons he is survived by one sister, Mrs. Elisabeth Clifford of Nebraska and one brother, William of Havana, Ill., fifteen grandchildren and a host of friends by whom he will be missed.

Funeral services were held at the Union Baptist church Friday at 3 o'clock, conducted by Rev. T. H. Bellarby, pastor of the M. E. church, and Smith. Interment in the Rushville cemetery.

1. PLACE OF DEATH

County of Schuyler | Registration Dist. No. 7716

Township of / Road District / or Village of Oakland | Primary Dist. No. .....

or

City of ..... | Primary Dist. No. .....

STATE OF ILLINOIS
Department of Public Health - Division of Vital Statistics

COUNTY CLERK'S RECORD

STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

Registered No. 4--
(Consecutive No.)

Street or Hospital ..... No. ....., ... St.; ..... Ward
(If death occurred in hospital or institution, give its name instead of street and number.)

2. FULL NAME Laura Lear

(a) Residence. No. ....., ... St., ... Ward .....
(Usual place of abode) (If non-resident give city or town and State)

Length of residence in city or town where death occurred ..... yrs. ..... mos. ..... ds. How long in U. S., if of foreign birth? ..... yrs. ..... mos. ..... ds.

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3. SEX	4. COLOR OR RACE	5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED (Write the word)
Female	White	Widowed

5a. If married, widowed or divorced
HUSBAND of (or) WIFE of Andrew Lear

6. DATE OF BIRTH Sept 9, 1841
(Month) (Day) (Year)

7. AGE Years	Months	Days	If LESS than 1 day, ... hrs. OR ..... min.?
80	11	11	

8 OCCUPATION OF DECEASED
(a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work Farmer's W.
(b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) .....
(c) Name of employer .....

9. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) Brown County
(State or Country) Illinois

PARENTS

10. NAME OF FATHER Henry Hill
11. BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (city or town) Brown County
(State or Country) Illinois
12. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Dicey Davis
13. BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (city or town) Brown County
(State or Country) Illinois

14. INFORMANT Mr Oscar Lear
Address Rushville Ills

15. Filed Aug 22, 1922 W F Allis
Registrar

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16. DATE OF DEATH August 20, 1922
(Month) (Day) (Year)

17. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from Aug 15, 1922, to Aug 20, 1922, that I last saw h.r alive on Aug 15, 1922, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at ..... m.
The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows

Cholecystitis

..... (Duration) ..... yrs. ..... mos. ..... ds.
Contributory (Secondary) .....
..... (Duration) ..... yrs. ..... mos. ..... ds.

18. WHERE WAS DISEASE CONTRACTED if not at place of death? .....
Did an operation precede death? ..... Date of .....
Was there an autopsy? .....
What test confirmed diagnosis? .....
(Signed) H C Munson, M. D.
Address Rushville Ills
Date Aug 22, 1922 Telephone .....

*State the DISEASE CAUSING DEATH, or, in deaths from VIOLENT CAUSES, state (1) MEANS OF INJURY; and (2) whether ACCIDENTAL, SUICIDAL, OR HOMICIDAL.

19. PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL	21. DATE OF BURIAL
Rushville Cemetery	Aug 22, 1922

20. UNDERTAKER	ADDRESS
K. A. Lawler	Rushville Ills

(Illinois)
Rushville Times
24 Aug 1922
Thursday

Death of Mr. Andrew Lear.

Mr. Andrew Lear died Sunday at the home of her son, Sol of Rushville, in his eighty-first year. She is survived by eight children.

Funeral services conducted by Rev. Kate Higgins, were held from the Baptist church Tuesday afternoon. Interment in the Rushville cemetery.

Those who attended the funeral from a distance were: Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Lear and family of Chapin, Mr. Hattie Lienbee, Raymond Lienbee, and Mr. Everett Beeley, of Maromb, Fred Lear of Rock Island, and Alvin Perry of Versailles.

Lavina Hill was born Sept. 9, 1841, on a farm near Mt. Sterling.

In the year 1857 she was married to John Anderson. To this union were born four children, two daughters, Mrs. Myrtle Lizenbee and Mrs. Dicy Davis of Rushville; one son, James W. Anderson of Nebraska, and one dying in infancy.

She was later married to Andrew Lear and four children came to bless this union. Alvin of Rushville, Edgar of Chapin, and Oscar and Fred of Rushville.

Mrs Lear passed away on Sunday morning August 20, 1922, at the age of 80 years, 11 months and 11 days, happy in the knowledge of God, her Savior.

She became converted in middle age and became a member of the Southern Methodist church, ever being faithful to the Master.

Besides her children, she has a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren and one great-great grandchild, many friends and one sister, Elizabeth Perry.

Mother Lear had been almost an invalid for several years and had lived among her children, and in her last few months had been with her son, Alvin, where the son's wife has cared for her tenderly as a daughter could.

We shall miss her but her work here has been finished and she has gone home to rest.

William "Wid" and Zelma Lear
Son of James I. Lear, grandson of Joseph Richardson Lear
Mt. Sterling, Illinois 1977

Alvin "Gus" and Huldah May Long Lear
Parents of (Eva Gladys) Bernice Lear Palmer
Son of Andrew Lear, brother of Edgar Lear.

of Brown enumerated by me, on the 12th day of June, 1860. Hugh Brady Ass't Marshal.

Post Office Cooperstown. Dicey Hills(s) & Robert Hill(s)

Dwelling-houses numbered in order of visitation	Families numbered in order of visitation	The name of every person whose usual place of abode on the first day of June, 1860, was in this family.	Age.	Sex.	Color, white, black, or mulatto.	Profession, Occupation, or Trade of each person, male and female, over 15 years of age.	Value of Real Estate.	Value of Personal Estate.	Place of Birth, Naming the State, Territory, or Country.	Married within the year.	Attended School within the year.	Persons over 20 years of age who cannot read and write.	Whether deaf and dumb, blind, insane, idiotic, pauper, or convict.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
		C. H. Vance	3	M					Ill				
		M. E. "	2	F					"				
		Jn.a "	1/12	M					"				
658	640	Robt. Hills	65	"	W	Farmer	$800	$5700	N.C.				
		Mrs. E. "	64	F	W				"				
		J. A. "	21	M	W	"		100	Unknown				
		Lewis Johnson	25	"	W	"			Sweden				
		Chas. LeBritto	10	"					Ill				
		Mary Vance	20	F	W				Penn				
659	641	Dicey Hills	40	"	W		1000	150	"				
		Andrew "	20	M	W				Ill				
→		Lavina "	19	F	W	LAVINA HILLS) ANDERSON LEAR			"				
		Jn.a "	16	M	W	"			"				
		Mathilda "	12	F	W				"				
		Eliza "	10	"	W				"				
		C. H. "	8	M	W				"				
		L. A. "	5	F	W				"				
660	642	John McCoy	65	M	W	"	640	500	Ireland				
		Susan (Mrs) "	52	F	W				"				
		Jno. "	21	M	W	"			"				
		Patrick "	16	"	W				"				

1860 Cooperstown Township, Brown County, Illinois Federal Census showing Dicey Davis Hill(s), widow of Henry Hill(s), living next to Robert and Elizabeth Angel Hill(s), parents of Henry Hill(s) (1816 - 1859).

State of Illinois
Schuyler County } The people of the State of Illinois
To any person legally authorized to Solemnize
of Marriage Greeting
You are hereby licensed and permitted to Celebrate
and Certify the rites of Marriage between Mr. Henry
Hill, and Miss ~~Dicey~~ Rhodisa Davis the Consent of Benjamin
Davis father of said ~~Dicey~~ having been obtained for
that purpose And for so doing this shall be your
sufficient Warrant
Witness Hart Fellows Clerk of the
County Commissioners Court at Rushville
this 25th day of February A.D. 1837
Hart Fellows Clk
by L. Lusk dep. Clk

Marriage License for Henry Hill(s) and Rhodisa ("Dicey") Davis,
naming Benjamin Davis as her father.

Rushville 25th Feby 1837

State of Illinois }
Schuyler County } This day personally appeared before me
Howell F. Davis and being first duly sworn deposes and
says on oath that Nancy Davis daughter of Benjamin Davis
is Eighteen years old and upwards as he is informed and
believes
Howell F. Davis
his mark

there is a mistake in the name of the
Lady her correct name is Rhodisa

Moses W. Pettigrew

State of Illinois Schuyler County ss
February the 21 1837 I have nothing
against the match this from under
my hand Benjamin Davis

Robert Hill and Elizabeth Angel, Hardin Co., KY Marriage Bonds - Manila Envelope 1813.
Recorded in Marriage Index 1793 - 1896 and Marriage Book A 1793 - 1834, Page 10 and 46.

Know all men by these presents that we Robt
Hill and Elizabeth Angel ——— are held
firmly bound unto the Commonwealth of Kentucky
in the just and full Sum of Fifty Pounds current
money of the United States for which payment
well and truely to be made and done we bind our
selves our heirs &c Jointly Severally and firmly
by these presents sealed with our Seals and dated
the 29th day of December 1813

The Condition of the above obligation is such
that if there should be no legal cause to obstruct
a marriage shortly to be solemnised between the
above bound Robert Hill and Miss Elizabeth
Angel for which a licence this day issued
then the above obligation to be void else to remain
in full force and virtue in law

Robert his X mark Hill (Seal)

John Angel (Seal)

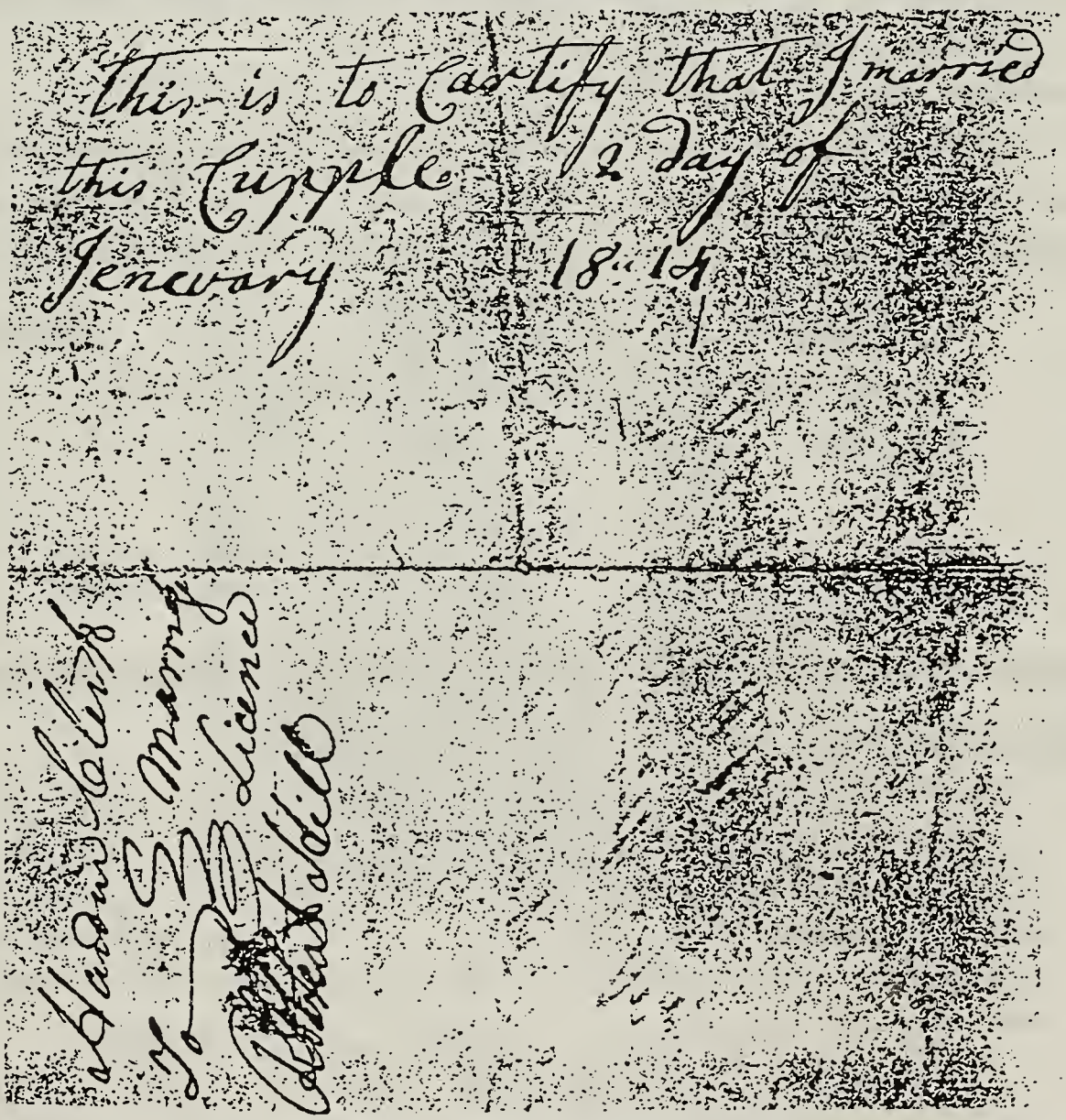
Test James C. Hayes (Seal)

Hardin County Sct

To any Authorised Minister of the Gospel or Authorised Magistrate these are to license and permit you to join together in the honorable state of matrimony according to the rules and customs of the Church of which you are reputed a member Mr Robert Hill and Miss Elizabeth Angel both of said Robert Hill having given bond and security in my office According to law given under my hand this 29th day of the County Court aforesaid the 29th day of December 1813

Jno Hardin

Hardin Co., KY 29 Dec 1813 record of license and permit for Robert Hill and Elizabeth Angel to marry.



2 January 1814 Marriage return for Robert Hill and Elizabeth Angel.

MARRIAGE LICENSE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS

Brown COUNTY

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS.

To any person legally authorized to solemnize Marriage

GREETING:

You are hereby authorized to join in the Holy Bonds of Matrimony and celebrate the Rite and Ceremonies of Marriage between Mr Samuel G Brewer and Miss Huldah Davis according to the usual custom and laws of the State of Illinois and you are required to return this License to me within thirty days from the celebration of such Marriage, with a Certificate of the same as indorsed thereon and signed by you under the Penalty of One hundred Dollars

Witness D L Taylor Clerk of our said Court and the seal thereof at my office in Mt Sterling in said County this 7th day of Feby A D 1871

D L Taylor

County Clerk.

Calvert, Page & Hoyne, Stationers, Chicago.

STATE OF ILLINOIS } ss
COUNTY.

I C H Dale a Minister of the gospel hereby certify that on the Seventh day of February 1871 I joined in Marriage Mr Samuel G Brewer with Miss Huldah Davis according to the authority given in the above License & the custom & laws of this State. Given under my hand and seal this Seventh day of February A D 1871

C H Dale M G seal.

(Samuel) George Brewer and Hulda Davis Brewer
1844 - 1927 1849 - 1927

Nellie Ann Brewer Lear, George and Edgar Lear
Mark, Lynn Ellen and Margaret Lear Terrell
4 generations of George and Hulda Brewer descendants
Bethel, Illinois April 1950

STATE OF ILLINOIS
Department of Public Health—Division of Vital Statistics

COUNTY CLERK'S RECORD

STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

Registered No. 7 (Consecutive No.)

1. PLACE OF DEATH
County of Morgan — Registration Dist. No. 1038
Chapin — *Township *Road Dist. *Village *City — Primary Dist. No. 5261
*(Cancel the three terms not applicable —Do not enter "R. R.," "R. F. D.," or other P. O. address).
Street and Number, No. ..... St.; ..... Ward, ... Hospi
(If death occurred in hospital or institution, gi its name instead of street and number.)

2. FULL NAME Samuel G. Brewer

(a) Residence No. ....., ... St.; ..... Ward, ...
(Usual place of abode) (If non-resident, give city or town and Stat

Length of residence in city or town where death occurred ..... yrs. ..... mos. ..... ds. How long in U. S., if of foreign birth? ..... yrs. ..... mos. ..... da

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3. SEX	4. COLOR OR RACE	5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED, or DIVORCED (write the word)
male	white	married

5a. If Married, widowed or divorced
HUSBAND of
(or) WIFE Hulda Brewer

6. DATE OF BIRTH
March 27th (Month) (Day) 1844 (Year)

7. AGE	Years	Months	Days	If LESS than 1 day ..... hrs. OR ..... min.?
	83	6	3	

8. OCCUPATION OF DECEASED
(a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work Retired
(b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) .....
(c) Name of employer .....

9. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) .....
(State or Country) No. Car.

PARENTS

10. NAME OF FATHER Geo. W. brewer
11. BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER
(City or Town) No. Carolina
(State or Country) .....
12. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Elizabeth Hedrick
13. BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER
(City or Town) No. Car.
(State or Country) .....

14. INFORMANT Arlo Brewer
(personal signature with pen and ink)
(P. O. Address) Chapin, Ill.

15. Filed 10/ 10/1/27 — Registrar.
P. O. Address Chapin, Ill. Ill.

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16. DATE OF DEATH Sept. 30, 1927 (Month) (Day) 19 (Yea

17. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased fro 9/20/27, 19..., to 9/30/27, 19...
that I last saw h im alive on 9/29/27, 19...
and that death occurred, on the date stated above,
12, 45 A THE CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:
Cerebral Hemorrhage
..... (Duration) ..... yrs. ..... mos.
Contributory (Secondary) Arteriosclerosis
..... (Duration) several yrs. ..... mos.

18. Where was disease contracted, if not at place of deat .....
Was an operation performed? no Date of .....
For what disease or injury? .....
Was there an autopsy? No
What test confirmed diagnosis? .....

(Signed) Lucien Smith, M.
Address Chapin, Ill.
Date Sept. 30th 1927 Telephone .....

*N. B.—State the disease causing death. All cases of de from "Violence, casualty, or any undue means" must be refer to the coroner. See Section 10, Coroner's Act.

19. PLACE OF BURIAL Cremation or Removal
Cemetery Chapin
Location Road #4.
(Township, Road Dist., Village or City)
County Morgan State Ill

21. DATE 10/2/27, 19...

20 UNDERTAKER Ed. Schaefer, Meredosia, Ill.
(personal signature with pen and ink)
(firm name, if any)

ADDRESS

WRITE PLAINLY, WITH UNFADING INK—THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD

NOTE: Local Registrars must make on this form a complete and accurate copy of the Original Certificate, and forward this copy to County Clerk on 10th day of each month. Omissions or abbreviations must not be made.
Local Registrars must not issue this form to Undertakers, Physicians or others, but must use it only for preparing County Clerk's (or Local Registrar's) Copies.
(63449—50M—2-27)
Has deceden ever served in military or naval service of U. S.?.....

V. S. 5

Jacksonville Courier
Sept. 30, 1927
(Illinois)

SAMUEL BREWER OF CHAPIN IS TAKEN BY DEATH

Aged Civil War Veteran Passes Away Last Night After Long Illness.

Samuel George Brewer, a veteran of the civil war, and a resident of Morgan county since childhood, passed away last night at the family home in Chapin. He had been in failing health for many months.

Mr. Brewer farmed near Chapin for a long period of years, and then moved into the town.

He was born March 27, 1844 in Salisbury, N. C. and came to Illinois with his parents, George W., and Elizabeth Brewer, when he was seven years of age. He enlisted in Company H, 137th Illinois Infantry, and served during the war. He was united in marriage with Hulda Davis Feb. 7, 1870.

Surviving are the widow, six sons and three daughters. One son and one daughter preceded him in death.

Funeral arrangements had not been completed this afternoon.

STATE OF ILLINOIS 193 COUNTY CLERK'S RECORD

Department of Public Health—Division of Vital Statistics

STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

Registered No. 9 (Consecutive No.)

1. PLACE OF DEATH — Registration Dist. No. 1038

County of Morgan

Chapin — *Township *Road Dist. *Village *City — Primary Dist. No. 5261

*(Cancel the three terms not applicable —Do not enter "R. R.," "R. F. D.," or other P. O. address).

Street and Number, No. ....., ... St.; ..... Ward, ... Hospital

(If death occurred in hospital or institution, give its name instead of street and number.)

2. FULL NAME Hulda Brewer

(a) Residence No. ....., ... St.; ..... Ward, ...

(Usual place of abode) (If non-resident, give city or town and State)

Length of residence in city or town where death occurred ..... yrs. ..... mos. ..... ds. How long in U. S., if of foreign birth? ..... yrs. ..... mos. ..... ds.

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3. SEX	4. COLOR OR RACE	5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED, or DIVORCED (write the word)
female	white	widowed

5a. If Married, widowed or divorced HUSBAND of (or) WIFE of Samuel G. Brewer

6. DATE OF BIRTH July 25 1849 (Month) (Day) (Year)

7. AGE Years	Months	Days	If LESS than 1 day ....hrs. OR ....min.?
78	3	1	

8. OCCUPATION OF DECEASED

(a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work housewife

(b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) .....

(c) Name of employer .....

9. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) Versailles, Ill.

(State or Country) .....

PARENTS

10. NAME OF FATHER Thomas Davis

11. BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER

(City or Town) .....

(State or Country) No. Car.

12. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Nancy Hedrick

13. BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER

(City or Town) .....

(State or Country) No. Car.

14. INFORMANT Arlow G. Brewer (personal signature with pen and ink)

(P. O. Address) Chapin, Ill.

15. Filed 10/27/27, 19.... Registrar.

P. O. Address Chapin, Ill.

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16. DATE OF DEATH Oct. 26, 1927. (Month) (Day) (Year)

17. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from ....., 19...., to 10/26/27, 19....,

that I last saw her alive on 10/26/27, 19...., and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at

10 A. m. THE CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:

Bronoho Pneumonia

.....

.....(Duration) ....yrs. ....mos. 3 ds.

Contributory (Secondary) Chroinc Nephritis, neutral valvular heart disease (Duration) ....yrs. ....mos. ....ds.

18. Where was disease contracted, if not at place of death? .....

Was an operation performed? ..... Date of .....

For what disease or injury? .....

Was there an autopsy? .....

What test confirmed diagnosis? .....

(Signed) Lucien Smith, M. D.

Address Chapin, Ill.

Date 10/27/27, 19.... Telephone .....

*N. B.—State the disease causing death. All cases of death from "Violence, casualty, or any undue means" must be referred to the coroner. See Section 10, Coroner's Act.

19. PLACE OF BURIAL Cremation or Removal

Cemetery Chapin,

Location Road #5 (Township, Road Dist., Village or City)

County Morgan State Ill

21. DATE 10/27/27

20 UNDERTAKER Ed Schaefer (personal signature with pen and ink)

(firm name, if any)

ADDRESS Meredosia, Ill.

Brewer

Mrs. Hulda Brewer passed away Wednesday at her home in Chapin after an extended illness.

The funeral will be held at the Chapin Christian church Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. J. C. Hall will be in charge, and interment will be made in the Chapin cemetery.

38			Stephen	18	m		"		Davie County	Pg 424A
39			Robert	24	m		"		"	
40			Mary	17	f		"		"	
41	760	760	George W. Brewer	51	m		Farmer		Randolph County	
42			Elizabeth	45	f				Davidson County	

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SCHEDULE I.—Free Inhabitants in _____ **in the County of** Davie

of North Carolina **enumerated by me, on the** 13th **day of** September **1850** Benjamin Sartin **Ass't**

Dwelling-houses numbered in the order of visitation.	Families numbered in the order of visitation.	The Name of every Person whose usual place of abode on the first day of June, 1850, was in this family.	DESCRIPTION. Age.	Sex.	Color, {White, black, or mulatto.}	Profession, Occupation, or Trade of each Male Person over 15 years of age.	Value of Real Estate owned.	Place of Birth. Naming the State, Territory, or Country.	Married within the year.	Attended School within the year.	Persons over 20 y'rs of age who cannot read & write.	Whether dumb, blind, idiotic, convict.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
1		Sandy	21	m				Randolph County				
2		Lucinda	16	f				"				
3		Edom	14	m				Davidson County				
4	→	George	7	m		(Samuel) George Brewer		Davie County				
5		William	2	m				"				
6	761	761	Alvin H. Lewis	25	m	Farmer		"			1	

→ (Samuel) George Brewer (grandfather of George Lewis) parents and brothers and sisters in Davie Co., N.C. 1850

DIVISION 1—Free Inhabitants in [illegible] in the County of [illegible]

[illegible] enumerated by me, on the [illegible] day of July, 1860. [illegible]

Office Versailles — Thomas & Nancy Hedrick Davis & John Hedrick & Brother Nancy

Dwelling-houses in the order of visitation.	The name of every person whose usual place of abode on the first day of June, 1860, was in this family.	Description. Age.	Sex.	Color, {White, black, or mulatto}	Profession, Occupation, or Trade of each person, male and female, over 15 years of age.	Value of Estate Owned. Value of Real Estate.	Value of Personal Estate.	Place of Birth, Naming the State, Territory, or Country.	Married within the year.	Attended School within the year.	Persons over 20 years of age who cannot read and write.
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	J. A. Towles	22	f					Ky			
	Hanilla "	19	"					Ill			
	W. M. "	18	m		Farming			"			
	M. S. "	15	f					"		1	
	American "	11	"					"		1	
674	J. H. B. Towles	31	m		Wagon Maker		$300	Ky			
	Mrs S. "	23	f					O.			
	E. B. "	1	m					Ill			
	Theodore Espenee	12	"					"		1	
675	Thomas Davis	53			Farming	$1600	500	N. C.			
	Mrs. N. [NANCY] "	53	f					"			
	Obadiah "	28	m		"	60	100	"			
	Charlotte "	25	f					"			
	Talitha "	21	"					Ill			
	Ellender "	18	"					"			
	James "	14	m					"		1	
	Huldah "	10	f		(HULDA DAVIS BREWER)			"		1	
	John Hedrick	86	m		Pauper Father of Thomas & Nancy			N. C.			
676	Thos H. Davis	25	"		Son of Thomas & Nancy	600	400	"			
	Mrs. E "	22	f					Ill			
	L. R "	2	m					"			
	N. E. "	2/12	f					"			
677	William Thomas	22	m		"		300	O.			
	Mrs. Susan "	20	f					Ind			
	J. W. "	2/12	m					Ill			
678	John Simpson	26	"		"	X	1000	"			
	Mrs E. E. "	24	f					"			
679	Willis Hicks	50	m		"	1000	1000	N. C.			
	Mrs. Juliette "	48	f					Ky			

ACT OF FEBRUARY 6, 1907.

DECLARATION FOR PENSION.

THE PENSION CERTIFICATE SHOULD NOT BE FORWARDED WITH THE APPLICATION.

State of Illinois)
County of Morgan) ss.

On this 27 day of March A. D. one thousand nine hundred and Seven, personally appeared before me, a Notary Public within and for the county and State aforesaid, Samuel G. Brewer who, being duly sworn according to law declares that he is 63 years of age, and a resident of Soldiers Home Quincy county of Adams State of Illinois; and that he is the identical person who was ENROLLED at Quincy Illinois under the name of Samuel G. Brewer on the 24 day of May, 18 64 as a private, in Co H. 137 Ill Infantry

(Here state rank, and company and regiment in the Army, or vessels if in the Navy.)

in the service of the United States, in the Civil war, and was HONORABLY DISCHARGED (State name of war, Civil or Mexican.)
at Springfield Ill, on the 24 day of September, 18 64
That he also served

(Here give a complete statement of all other services, if any.)

That he was not employed in the military or naval service of the United States otherwise than as stated above. That his personal description at enlistment was as follows: Height 5 feet 5½ inches; complexion, light; color of eyes, Grey; color of hair Sandy; that his occupation was Farmer; that he was born May 27 1844 at Davidson County North Carolina

That his several places of residence since leaving the service have been as follows: Brown Co Ill Brandy Co Mo Morgan Co Ill

(State date of each change, as nearly as possible.)

That he is a pensioner. That he has heretofore applied for pension

Pension Certificate No 630,504

(If a pensioner, the certificate number only need be given. If not, give the number of the former application. If one was made.)

That he makes this declaration for the purpose of being placed on the pension roll of the United States under the provisions of the act of February 6, 1907.

That his post-office address is Soldiers Home Quincy, county of Adams State of Illinois

Samuel G Brewer
(Claimant's signature in full.)

Attest: (1) P H Hann

(2) C Bridgman

Also personally appeared P H Hann residing in Chapin Ill and C Bridgman residing in Chapin Ill, persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who, being by me duly sworn, say that they were present and saw Samuel G. Brewer the claimant, sign his name (or make his mark) to the foregoing declaration; that they have every reason to believe, from the appearance of the claimant and their acquaintance with him of 12 years and 12 years, respectively, that he is the identical person he represents himself to be, and that they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

P H Hann

C Bridgman

3–173.

Wash Div.
Incert No. 630514
Samuel G. Brewer
Co. H 137 Reg't Ills Vol

PENSION OFFICE JAN 16 1899 U. S.

BBQ Ex'r.

Department of the Interior,

BUREAU OF PENSIONS.

Washington, D. C., Jany 6th, 1899

SIR:

Will you kindly answer, at your earliest convenience, the questions enumerated below? The information is requested for future use, and it may be of great value to your family.

Very respectfully,

Clerk

Meredosia Ills

Commissioner.

No. 1. Are you a married man? If so, please state your wife's full name, and her maiden name.

Answer: yes Oulda Brewer Oulda Davis

No. 2. When, where, and by whom were you married? Answer: By C W C Folle on 9 of febuary 1871 in brown Co Ills A minis of the Gosp

No. 3. What record of marriage exists? Answer: By Certificate

No. 4. Were you previously married? If so, please state the name of your former wife and the date and place of her death or divorce. Answer: No

No. 5. Have you any children living? If so, please state their names and the dates of their birth. Answer: yes Nettie F Brewer Borned August 4th 1872
William O Brewer Borned June 25th 1875 Martha E Brewer Borned August 25th 1877
Mary L Brewer Borned November 5th 1879 George W Brewer Borned feb 11th 1882
Edward F Brewer borned June 17th 1884 Carrie P Brewer Borned August 25th 1886
Charlie W Brewer Borned June 10th 1888
Beth O Brewer Borned June 20th 1891

Date of reply, January 12th 99, 189—

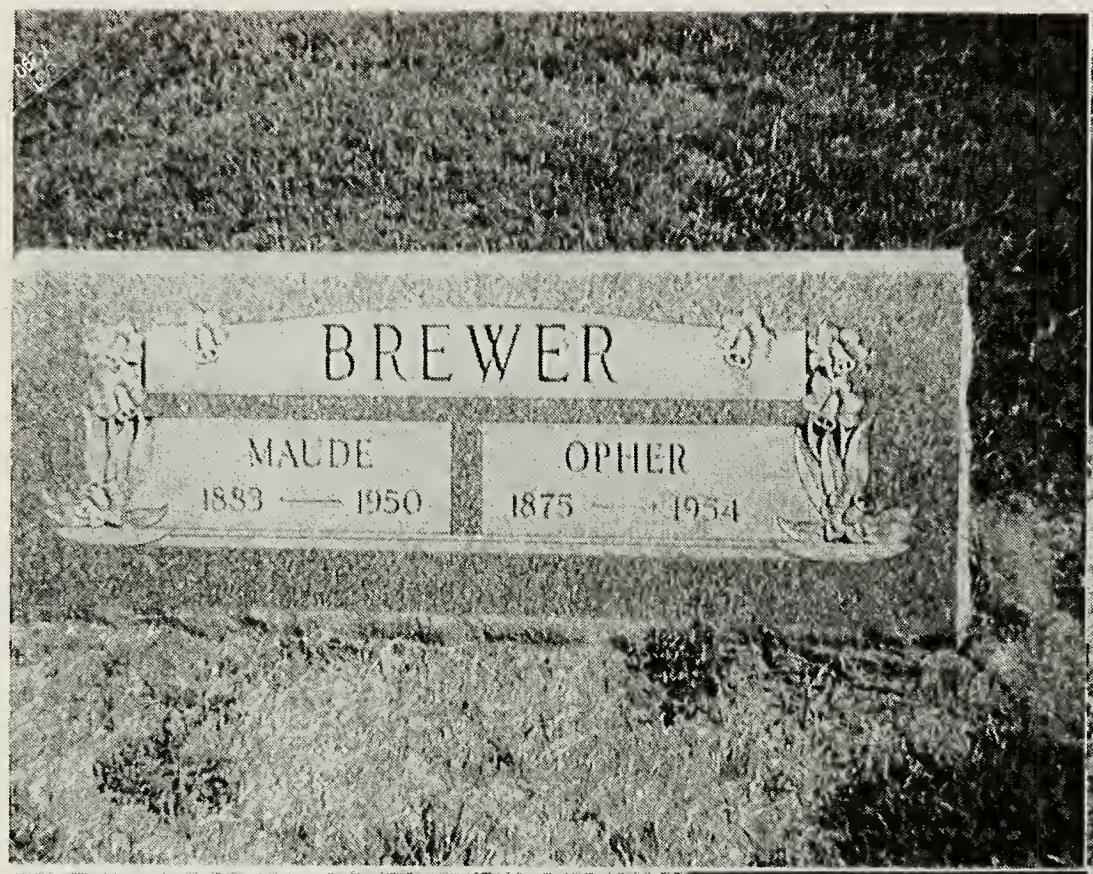
Samuel G Brewer
(Signature)

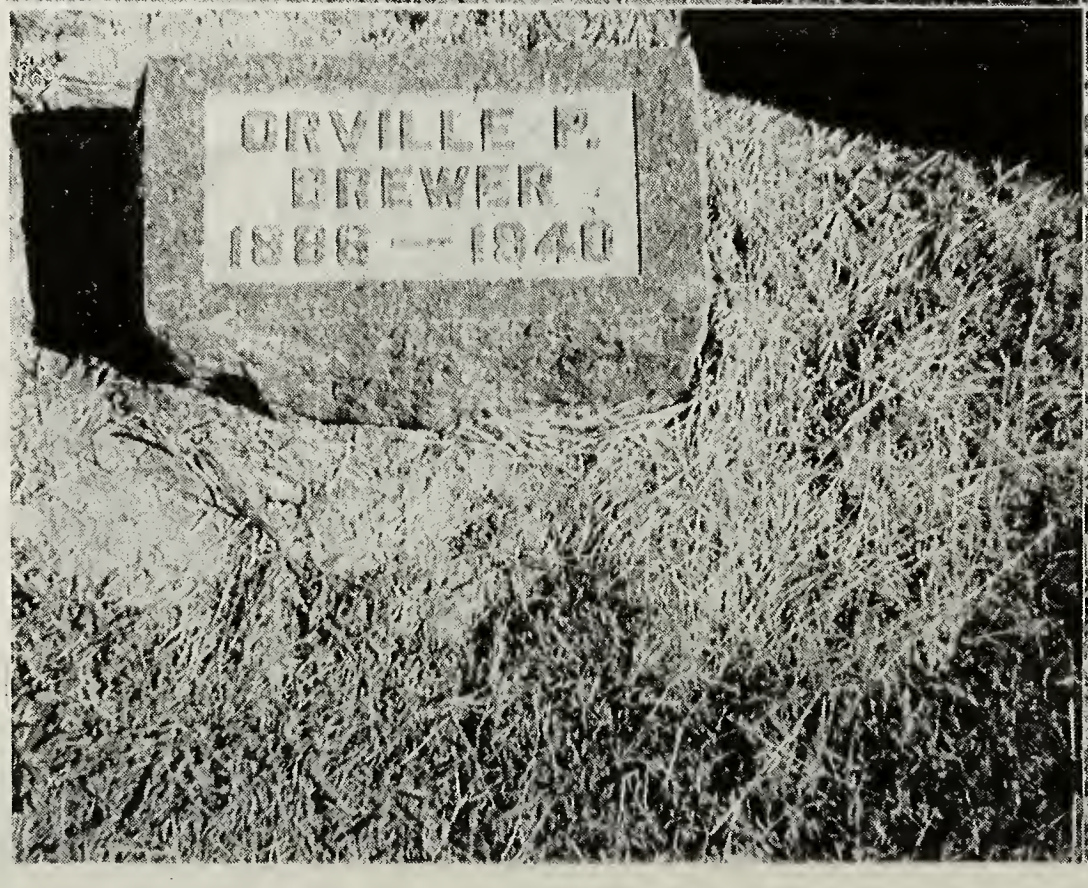
Martha "Mae" Ellen Brewer

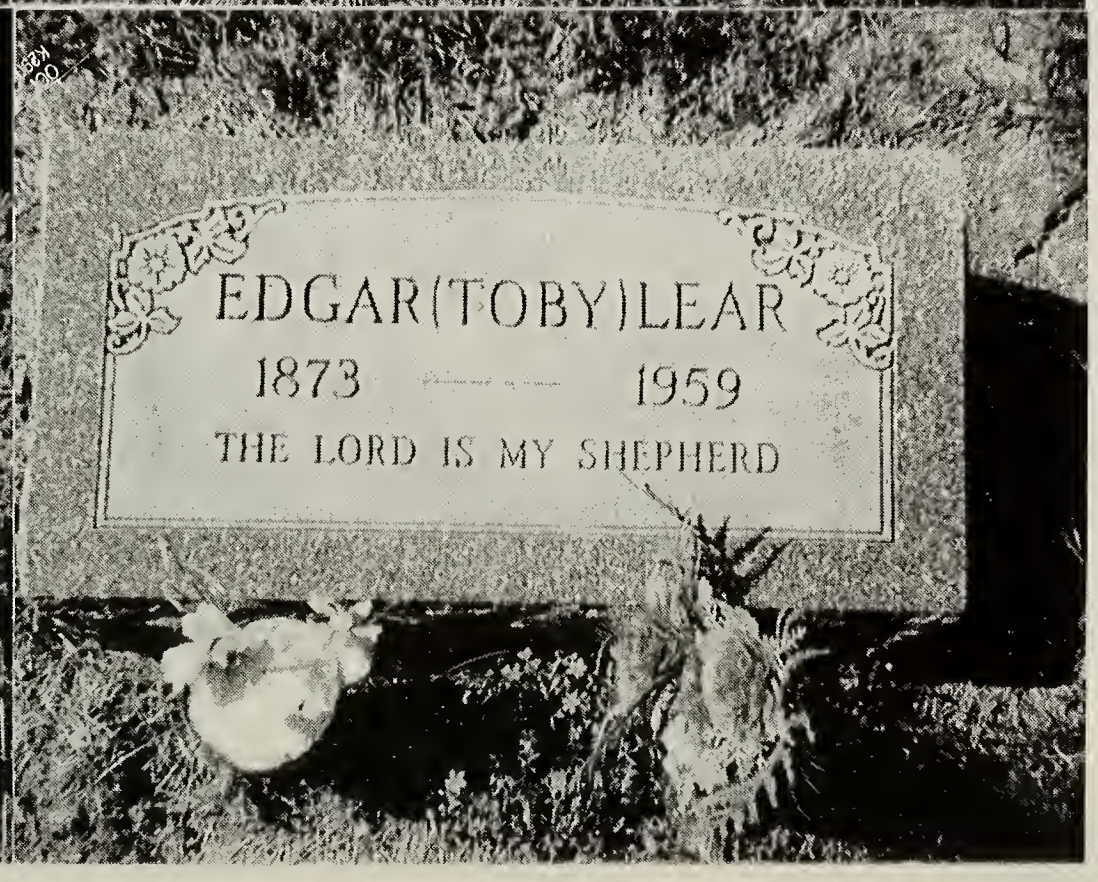
George Andrew Lear George "Bob" Washington Brewer Edgar Lear
Son, brother and husband of Nellie Brewer Lear
How many rabbits do you see?

Seth "Tommy" Howard Brewer
and wife, Rose Korty Brewer
(Brother of Nellie Brewer Lear)

Charles Wesley Brewer,
wife, Edith Mullens Brewer,
and Grandson, Jackie
(Brother of Nellie Brewer Lear)



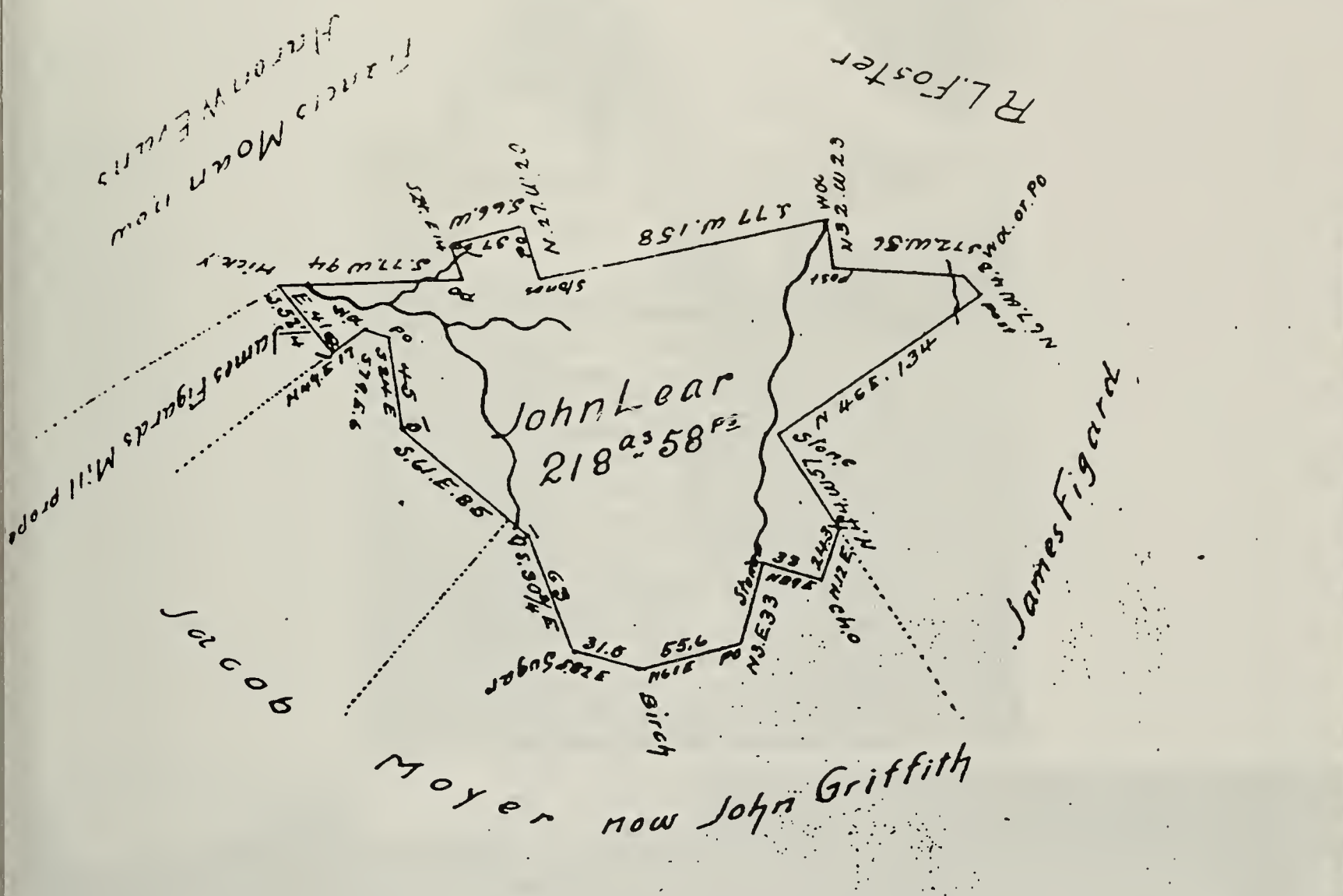




Three sons of (Samuel) George and Hulda Davis Brewer and son-in-law, Edgar Lear.

JOHN LEAR

Bedford Co, Pennsylvania



situate on the South side of 6 mile run in Broadtop township Bedford County. Containing 218 acres 58 perches and allowance of 6 per cent for roads &c. Surveyed by Samuel Metterman Esq. the 28th of April 1853 in pursuance of a Warrant granted in the name of John Lear for 212 acres. dated the 7th of February 1853. Courses according to the true bearings

Daniel. Sams C.S.

J Porter Brawley Esq. S.G

John Lear was at this location to improve the land from 1830 — {1853 when he moved / 1854} to Berrien Co. Illinois. M. Burell

(ILLINOIS)

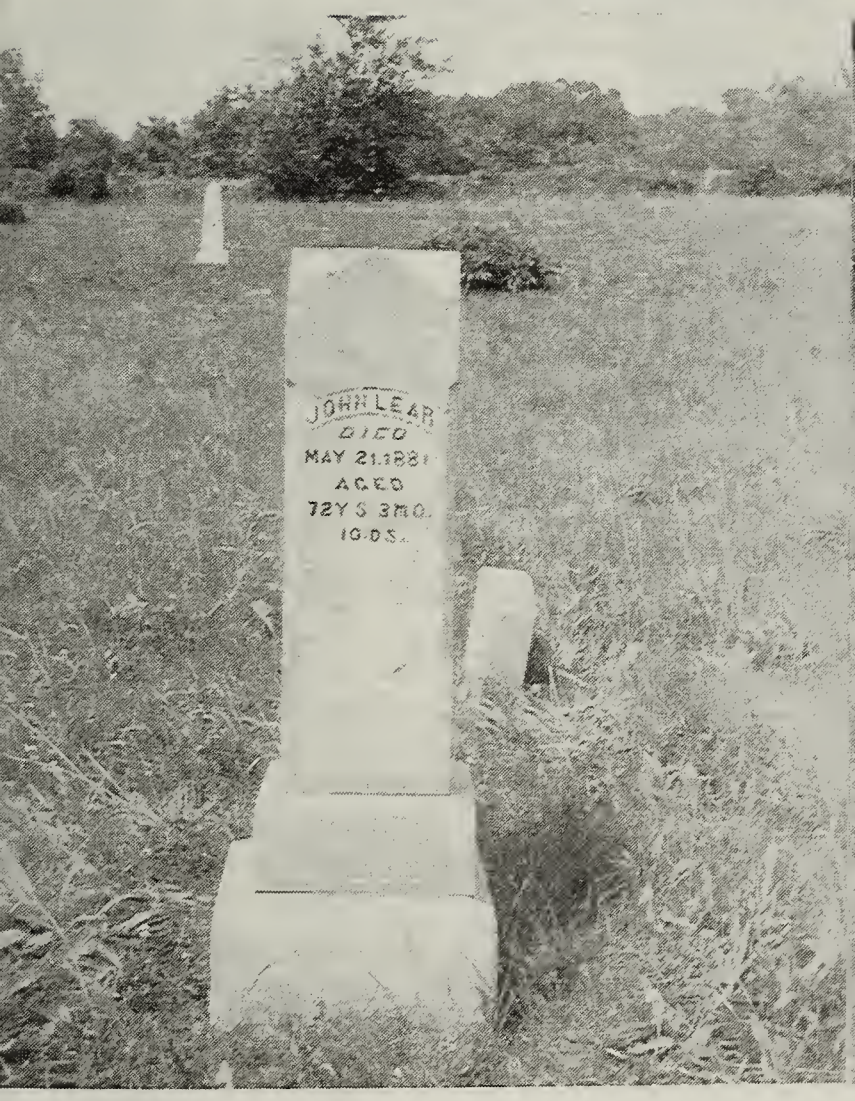
DEMOCRAT MESSAGE
25 JUNE 1881

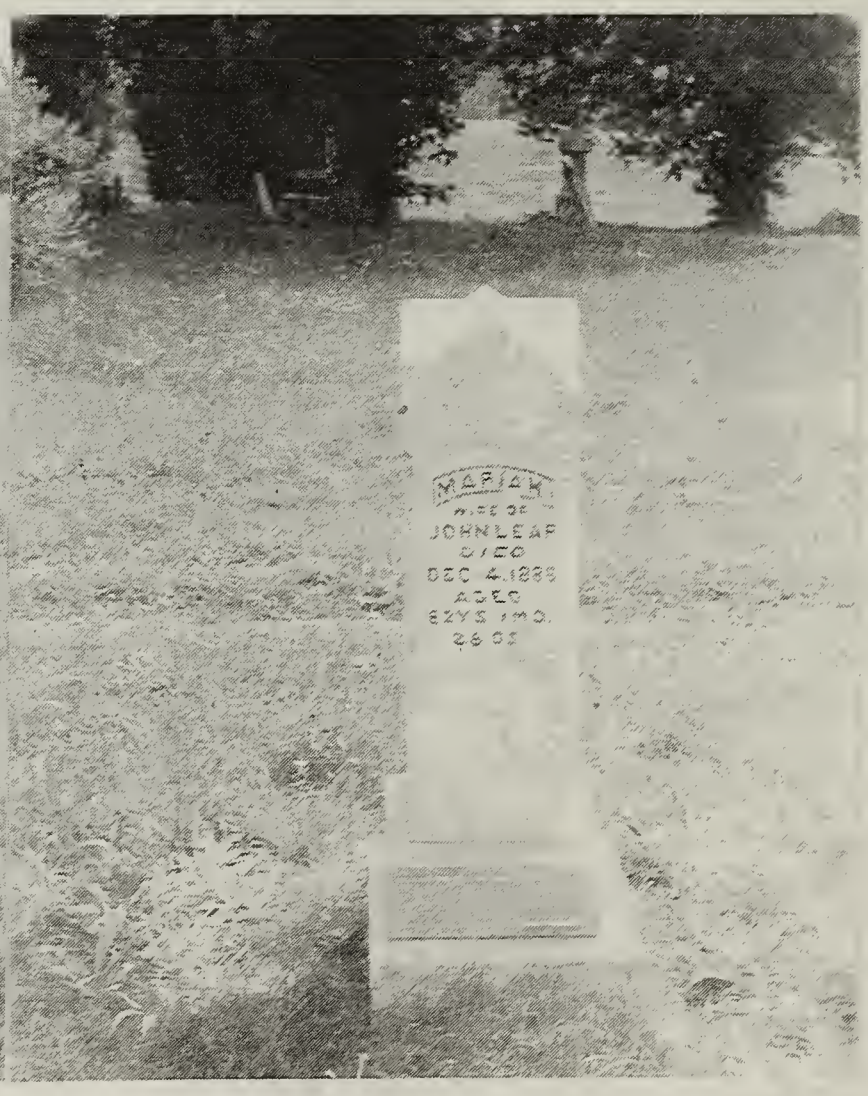
WEST COOPERSTOWN.

DIED—At his residence, two miles east of Cooperstown, on May 21.. Mr. John Lear, in the 73d year of his age. Another hearthstone has been visited by the pale-face reaper, Death, and another aged sire has been borne away from hearts that would rejoice to have kept him on earth during their own lifetime. Mr. Lear was born in Franklin county, Penn., Feb., 11th, 1809, and in the year 1828 was married to Miss Mariah Richison and settled in Bedford county, Penn., where he remained untill 1854, when he emigrated to this state and settled in this county where he resided till his death. He professed a hope in Christ in 1842 and united with the Church of God of which he remained a member untill he he came to Illinois after which he united with the Baptist Church at Cooperstown which membership he held till his death. He was the father of eleven children, of which eight survive him. His aged consort now in her dotage has our heartfelt sympathy in this the darkest hour of her life. On the morning of the 22d, services were held by Eldgr H. L Johnson at the residence of deceased, after which a large concourse of sorrowing relatives and friends followed him to his last resting place at the Cooperstown cemetry.

JOHN LEAR

(Earliest proved Lear)





Cooperstown Cemetery, Cooperstown, Illinois
Monument of John and Mariah Lear.
Do you know the name of
John Lear's father? Please notify compilers if you do.

SCHEDULE 1.—Free Inhabitants in Cooperstown Township in the County of Brown State of Illinois enumerated by me, on the 26th day of June 1860 by [illegible]

Post Office Cooperstown — John & Maria Lear & (R.W.), David Lear

ILLINOIS

Dwelling-houses numbered in the order of visitation	Families numbered in the order of visitation	The name of every person whose usual place of abode on the first day of June, 1860, was in this family.	Age	Sex	Color, white, black, or mulatto	Profession, Occupation, or Trade of each person, male and female, over 15 years of age.	Value of Real Estate	Value of Personal Estate	Place of Birth, Naming the State, Territory, or Country.	Married within the year
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
		Eliz. Whitehead	2/12	f					Ill	
507	489	David Lear	27	m		Farmer		$200	Pa	
		Mrs. R. "	23	f					"	
		Catharine "	4	"					"	
		Margaret "	2	"					Ill	
		W. H. "	3/12	m					"	
508	490	John Lear	52	"		"	$4000	600	Pa	
		Mrs. M "	53	f					"	
		Hannah "	20	"					"	
		Eliz. "	17	"					"	
		Ann M "	14	"					"	
		John "	10	m					"	
		Andrew "	7	"					"	
		William "	4	"					Ill	
509	491	Mason Cooper	56	"		"		600	O.	
		Mrs. I. "	56	f					"	
		Thompson "	20	m					"	
		John "	21	"					"	
		William "	17	"		"			"	
		M. S. "	14	f					"	
		R. E. "	12	"					"	
		S. E. "	2	"					Ill	
		T. M. Stitney	6	m					"	
510	492	James Taylor	45	"		"	5000	2000	Ky	
		Mrs. B. "	30	f					N.C.	
		John "	21	m					Ill	
		Willie "	17	"		"			"	
		Franklin "	13	"					"	
		N. J. "	6	f					"	
		Sina "	4	"					"	
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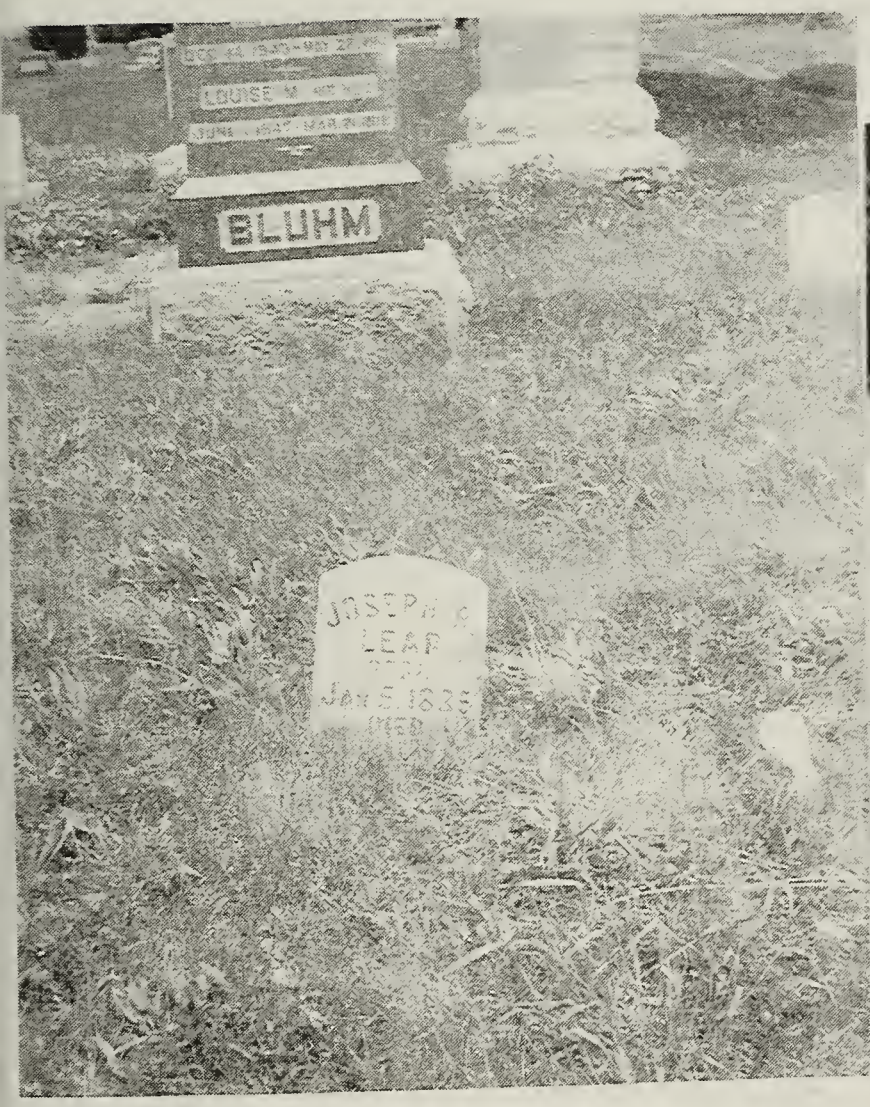
Cross Roads Cemetery



Cooperstown Cemetery

Logsdon Cemetery #2

Tombstones of 3 Sons of
John and Maria Richardson Lear

Maria Lear Box 112
Mt. Sterling
Court House

TOWNSHIP TREASURER'S SEMI-ANNUAL STATEMENT

*the Funds of District No.*_____, *Township No.*_____

County, Illinois,

*nge No.*_____

*the*_____*day of*_____*188*____

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RECEIPTS.

Day.	Year.	FROM WHOM.	ON WHAT ACCOUNT.	$	cts.
		Heirs of Maria Lear	Deed Jan 11th 1889		
			Paid Clerk		

G. W. Lear
David A. Lear
Joseph R. Lear
Andrew F. Lear
W. J. Lear
Hannah Parker
Elisabeth Gifford
Martha M. Briggs
Charles E. Lear
John Hills
Charles Hills.
Nora C. Dozier
Elmer Dozier
Dill Dozier
Wallie E. Dozier
Thos. Dozier
Jo[illegible]

NAMES OF HEIRS
OF
MARIA LEAR

August 27th 1824. Came into Court Michael Gardner intermarried with Sophia Englebright daughter of John Englebright deceased, and refused to take any part of the Real Estate of said deceased, at the Appraisement.

Same day. Rudolph Snively intermarried with Mary Englebright third daughter of John Englebright dec'd and Frederick Smith Guardian of Louisa the youngest of the daughters of said dec'd being both called and not appearing to accept or Refuse to take at the Appraisement the Real Estate of said dec'd On Motion of J. C. Barclay Esq, the Court grant a Rule upon the said Rudolph Snively intermarried with the said Mary Englebright, and on Frederick Smith Guardian of the said Louisa, to appear at an Orphans Court to be held at Bedford on the fourth monday of November next, to accept or Refuse to take at the Appraisement, the Real Estate (or any part thereof) of the said John Englebright dec'd. Notice to be given according to Law.

By the Court.

To the Honorable the Judges of the Orphans Court of Bedford County.

The Petition of Maria Richardson minor daughter above the age of fourteen years of Joseph Richardson late of Napier township Bedford County dec'd respectfully represents, that your Petitioners late father died intestate, leaving your Petitioner without any person to take Care of her person & estate, She therefore prays your Honors to permit her to make choice of a Guardian as aforesaid and she will ever pray &c.

Maria Richardson (seal)

Test. George Burd. } Petitioner chose Joseph Evans. Mariah M. Richardson

August 25th 1824. The foregoing Petition being read the Court approves of Joseph Evans and appoint him Guardian over the Person & estate of said Minor upon his giving security in the Sum of three hundred Dollars.

By the Court.

To the Honorable the Judges of the Orphans Court held at Bedford in and for Bedford County at August term 1824. The Petition of John Fetzeiler of Bedford township Bedford County dec'd Sheweth. That the said late intestate of Ireland Original, the goods and Chattles Rights and Credits of William Beaswick late of Napier township Bedford County dec'd Sheweth. — That the said late left issue one Child to wit, David a Son about seven years — that the personal estate is unsufficient for the payment of his debts and the maintenance of his Child as by the list of his debts as also the amount of the sale of his personal property hereunto annexed appears — Your Petitioner further stated that the said late died seized in his demesne as of fee of and in a certain house and lot in the Borough of McConnellsburg — adjoining the Widow McConnell's lots, and property of John Thomas, also two other lots in said Borough, on which there are no improvements — also of four hundred acres of unimproved land situate on Brush Creek in Providence township Bedford County on which there are no improvements, — and which the said intestate purchased at Marshals Sale all his title to the same being a Marshals Deed — Your Petitioner therefore prays your honorable Court to grant an Order to make sale of the property

Richardson Fools Crowd

At Shooting Match

This article concerning an old time shooting match in Huntingdon County was written in 1882 by D. I. Foster and printed in the Saxton Independent:

The Richardsons have been noted at least 80 years for their superior ability as marksmen, and some very funny incidents are related concerning them. One is peculiarly funny and contains a good moral, therefore we will give it.

Not a great while before the late war commenced, there was a time appointed for a shooting match at Mill Creek, Huntingdon County, for the Champion marksman along the PRR when they expected to have a gala day.

The day before the shooting was to be done, Joseph Richardson, Jr., prepared himself for a piece of fun as he termed it. He goes to work and rigs himself a suit to appear very rough and unassuming -- even trimmed his gun barrel by tying old strings and wire around it to make it appear the more dilapidated and useless, in order to secure for himself a chance to shoot for the $200 black horse that was to be won at the match.

He took a bridle in his hands and walked over the hill in the vicinity of Mill Creek, and after a night of rest he proceeded to the selected spot. His appearance was greeted with jeers and witty sayings, such as "Hello, old codger," "How do you do old nimrod" and "where is your game old Orkansaw traveler." To all this he paid no attention but inquired what was going on. They told him. He said he could shoot a little, and asked the price of a board. When told that it was ten dollars, he appeared qauite surprised and said he used to shoot "to home for a flip-penny bit" - but he would take a board. The rest were putting up their boards - some had boards two by three feet and so on, and having their sport about how they were going to yank the back woodsman, Richardson could not get a board and at last he borrowed a saw, sawed offa piece of round fence rail, 4 inches in diameter. Then poured his caps in his pocket, he nailed the lid of the box on the piece of fence rail, and then prepared for action. Not long after the shooting commenced their aristocratic jeers turned to mettering cusses, when they seen that every ball was sent into the cap-box lid, at sixty yards.

At that time Joe Richardson then lived where J. R. Foster now lives, in that neighborhood he could not get a board at a shooting contest - he was ruled out of the amateur and very few professionals lived in that region. So he thought his chance better if he would disguise himself and not make himself known as Joe Richardson.

When the match was out and the horse declared to be Richardsons, he asked whether the bridle and saddle went with the horse. When he was told that it did not, he said, "all right, I have one with me," and got his bridle he had brought along with his determination to win the black horse. When he was on his horse and his long rough looking long barreled rifle on his shoulder, he turned to the company and said. "You want to know who I am? - well I am Joe Richardson, but most generally called old hawkeye of Wells Valley, when you want me send for me," and then rode off, bare backed on his black horse.

Joseph Richardson, Jr., of Wells Valley, Fulton County, PA, was a son of Joseph and Hannah Davis Richardson, Sr. He was also a brother of Maria Richardson Lear. Maria and John Lear were great-grandparents of George Andrew Lear.

?? Our John Lear ??

12-4-1826

LE:
AR, JOHN.

NOV. 17, 1823

Franklin Co., PA — Orphan Court Docket B

At an Orphans Court held at Chambersburg for the County of Franklin in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on the third Monday and Seventeenth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty three, before the Honorable John Reed Esq. President and Archibald Bard Jacob Oyster Esquires Judges of our said Courts

VANLEAR / LEAR !!

On petition the Court aid appoints James Walker Esq. Guardian over the person & Estate of Sarah Statzer minor child (above 14) of Jacob Statzer dec'd Robt. Douglass of Antrim township was the former Guardian (acc.)

On petition the Court aid appoints Andrew Snively, Guardian over the persons and Estates of Joseph & Polly Snively minor children of Peter Snively late of Antrim township dec'd.

On motion of G. Chambers Esq. the Court approve of Daniel Snowberger, Henry Funk, John Stoner and David Kneffer as Sureties of Sally Forman & Frederick Forman Exr. & Admr. of Frederick Forman dec'd. the said Henry Funk & John Stoner being received in place of Andrew Fie. who was before named & approved of by the Court. on sale of the real Estate of said deceased. & March the Administrators return the property unsold for want of bidders, and on motion a sale continued on oath

On petition the Court appoint Joseph Duncan Guardian over the person & Estate of John Lea minor child (above 14) of

?? OUR JOHN LE

——Only incomplete record I have found. Who is this John's father ?? —

On petition the Court aid appoints James Dixon Guardian over the persons & Estates of Eliza, Rachael Mary Anna, Elias, Sarah, & Jane Eleanor Shalone, minor children (under 14) of John Shalone.

~~On petition the Court aid appoints David Lockey of Washington township Guardian of~~ the person & Estate of Susan Lockey minor child (under 14) of Joseph Lockey late of said township dec'd

On petition the Court aid appoint Abraham Ealy of Washington township Guardian over the person & Estate of Elizabeth Lockey minor child (under 14) of Joseph Lockey late of said township dec'd.

The Court took into consideration the second & administration account of James Walker, Archibald Bard Esq. and Gen. Thomas Randall Executors of the last will and testament of Samuel Walker dec'd and did approve thereof, whereby it does appear that the sum of three thousand nine hundred and fifty five dollars sixty two and one half cents remain in the hands of said Executors

On petition the Court did appoint Thomas Reynolds Guardian over the person & Estate of Margaret

?? Over John Lear ??

B 3rd Orphans Court Docket

Franklin Co, PA 23 Nov. 1818

At an Orphans Court held at Chambersburg for the County of Franklin on the [illegible] Monday and Eighteenth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred eighteen before the Honorable James Hamilton Esquire President and Archibald Boyd & Isaac Lefevre Esquires Judges of our Sd Court &c —

16. Nov 1818
On petition the Court did appoint Maj: John Brownson of Mercersburg Guardian over the person & Estate of John Dowds. Minor Child (above 14 years) of Andrew Dowds late of Metal Township in the County of Franklin dec'd —

21. Nov 1818
On petition the Court did appoint William Rodgers of Franklin County & James Fullen of Cumberland County Guardians over the persons & Estate of James Clarke Isabella Clarke & Margaret Clarke Minor Children (above 14 years) of Robert Clarke late of Southampton Township in the County of Franklin dec'd —

On petition the Court did appoint William Rodgers of Franklin County & James Fullen of Cumberland County Guardians over the persons & Estate of Sarah Clarke, Susannah Clarke Margery Clarke, William Clarke & Charles Clarke Minor Children (under 14 years) of Robert Clarke late of Southampton Township dec'd.

21. Nov 1818
On petition the Court did appoint John Weikel of Chambersburg & Charles Wilson Guardians over the Estates of Mary Jane Culbertson & Margaret Anarchy Culbertson (Minor Children of William Culbertson) for the purpose of receiving & superintending a Legacy left said Minors by their Grand father John Herron Esquire dec'd —

23. Nov
On petition the Court did appoint Jacob Angle of Montgomery Township Guardian over the person & Estate of Daniel Lear. John Lear & Elizabeth Lear. Minor Children (under 14 years of age) of Daniel Lear late of Montgomery Township in the County of Franklin dec'd —

The petition of William Harper Son of Cornelius Harper was read setting forth that the Petitioners Father died Intestate since the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety four leaving a widow named Mary and issue four Children viz William the petitioner, Johnson Elizabeth, and Jane who married Samuel Regan, both of whom are since dead, leaving a Child viz William Harper Regan a Minor under the age of fourteen years. And that the said Intestate died seized in his demesne as of fee of and in a certain parcel or tract of Land Situate in Letterkenny Township Containing two acres of arable land, adjoining Lands of Jacob Burkholder, Samuel Brown and Jacob Rhoder with a log dwelling House and Stable thereon erected — Whereupon prayed the Court to award an Inquest to divide the said premises with the appurtenances to and amongst all the heirs & Legal Representatives of the said Intestate if the same could be done without prejudice and spoiling the whole thereof — But if the same could not be so divided, that the said Inquest should well and truly to inquire whether the same premises with the appurtenances will Conveniently accommodate more than one of the said Children and Legal Representatives of the said deceased, and if they so find, that they should then well & truly

[Note: Below is a letter written by Mark Clayton Terrell to his parents, Donald and Margaret Lear Terrell. Donald Leon Terrell (that is me) had just had a serious squabble with his son, Mark Clayton Terrell, apparently about some of his school grades, the condition of his two musical horns and some bills that he had mistakenly acquired (for records from a Record Club). Donald Leon Terrell (me) had probably not been very reasonable with his son and very likely had not given him an opportunity to tell his side of the story in each of the problem areas. Mark Clayton Terrell was probably about 16 years old at the time that he wrote this letter and gave it to his parents (there is no date on the letter). Grandchildren: Grandpa came across this letter when he was looking for material to put into the computer for Grandma's genealogy books (about 30 years later). Grandpa had forgotten all about this letter. Grandpa is sorry that he did not give his son a chance to tell his side of the story at the time of the squabble. Mark Clayton Terrell did the best thing that he could do in this situation and that was to put his side of the story down on paper and present it to his parents. Thank you, son, for writing this letter.]

Dear Mom and Dad:

The reason I am writing this letter is to say all I have to say and also to organize it so that it makes some kind of sense. Please read all of it before you do or say anything.

First of all I realize that you are trying to do what is best for me and that you want me to lead a successful life. I try to think of that fact when you tell me to do something which I think should be done another way. I also think that I should be able to present my side of the matter completely and that you should take it into consideration.

My most important goal right now is to get into Cornell. If I don't get into Cornell my chances of finishing college at any other place are very slim because of the fact that you just can't afford it.

If I get into Cornell I still have to worry about whether or not I can take the stress mentally because Engineering, the field which I want to study in, is one of the harder if not the hardest college to get through at Cornell.

I also realize that you won't be able to provide my full expenses or even a quarter of them. I therefore will have to get loans, scholarships and make all the money I can in order to graduate. I expect to eventually pay back every cent of the money you have to invest in me because you need it worse.

I've done a lot of thinking and I realize that I have been putting things off until the last moment. It's not because I don't want to do them but the fact that everything makes the difference of what the rest of my life will be like. I wasn't quite sure what I wanted to do.

I also have been getting lower marks than usual in school because, as Bill Storandt says, "I've got a chick on my hands". I really like her quite a bit and I think she likes me. It's different than it was with Barbie or any other girl and I think it's there for good.

I'm sorry about the records. Things just kept piling up in my mind. It wasn't all my fault, though, because of the screwed-up way of sending records back and charging me for them before I got them. At the time that I was going to quit, three months ago, they sent me one record with one dividend certificate and not two like I had ordered. At that time I couldn't remember if I had ordered two or changed my mind and ordered one. So, I ordered one more to make two dividend certificates so that I could get one free record. After I had done so the second record arrived and then I was mad because I now had to pay for three records and order another one free. My bill was currently 5 dollars, give or take 20 cents, and it suddenly jumped to $13. I quit the club and they sent me a letter saying that the current record which I

had not ordered would come anyway because my letter evidently had not gotten there in time for the dead-line. I didn't actually wait 3 months to send this last record in.

So here I am right up to this afternoon.

I have always tried to take good care of both of my horns, but never good enough I guess. My marching band horn, actually your horn, has taken a lot of punishment in the last three years but I think the reason why it fell apart faster than the newer ones was that it was older and probably not made as sturdily as they are now. My good horn I have always been proud of but it has acquired dents that I have no idea of where they came from. I do admire it though and try to take good care of it.

I think I've covered everything and thank you for listening.

Love,
Mark

[Note: Mark Clayton Terrell did attend Cornell University (Ithaca,NY) in Electrical Engineering, graduated with a Bachelor's Degree and took a job with a large Electronic's Company in Massachusetts where he met his future wife, Catherine (Cathy) Sevigny Terrell. A few years later Mark, along with two other employees, left that company and bought out a small Electronic's Company of their own. Within several more years they built this company up into a large organization with millions of dollars in annual sales. A decision was later made to sell the company. Mark Clayton Terrell then bought into another Electronic's Company and is presently overseeing the successful operation and expansion of this company.

Lynn Ellen Terrell Scoles, Mark's sister, also attended Cornell University (Ithaca,NY) in Biology, graduated with a Master's Degree and took a job with research people in Ohio where she met her future husband, Frederick Grant Scoles. Frederick Grant Scoles and his family are presently living in central New York where he successfully operates a part-time business in piano rebuilding and repair work along with a full-time job at an upstate College.

Bruce Alan Terrell, Mark's younger brother, also attended Cornell University (Ithaca,NY) in Landscape Architecture, graduated with a Bachelor's Degree and took a job in Pennsylvania with an Architectural Firm. A few years later, Bruce became partners with an Engineering Firm in Iowa where he met his second wife, Nona Lei Turner Terrell. Bruce passed away 06 Oct 1987.

Dana Lee Terrell, Mark's youngest brother, also attended Cornell University (Ithaca,NY) in Business Management and took a leave of absence after completing 2 1/2 years. Dana passed away 26 June 1986.]

[Source: Margaret Ellen Lear Terrell]

Some Thoughts About My Mom and Dad
and their families

I suppose I should begin with the beginning -- of me, that is. I was born in Cortland County Hospital, Cortland, New York on July 22, 1925. My parents, George Andrew and Daisy May Ward Lear, had been married April 15, 1920 in Flint, Michigan. The date was set for a reason. Frank Charles and Florence Elon Faure Ward, my mother's parents, had been living in Flint since moving there from near Hardy, Arkansas in 1919. Frank had been working in the factories there during the last part of World War I and in the spring of 1920 he had gone East to find a farm. He had settled on one in Virgil, New York and the evening of April 15, 1920, he and Florence were leaving with the rest of the children who were still at home, Muriel, Rex, Hazel and Aydee -- for Virgil and their new home. So the wedding was held at the home of Frank's sister, Rose Ward Waite, in Flint.

My father's brother, Ford Lear, was living in Flint. I think Dad had come to Flint from near Chapin, Illinois to live with Ford and work in the defense factories which were going full tilt. He and Mom had met at the Champion Spark Plug factory. Dad saw Mom standing in a line, going on break or to lunch -- he just happened to be up on a higher level, leaning on a railing watching the girls go by -- and said to the fellow with him, "There's the girl I'm going to marry". He was only seventeen, but was more mature looking than most seventeen year olds. Mom was twenty-two and didn't know that she was five years older than he until sometime after they were married. Even the wedding license has his age as 21.

Their first date was Hallowe'en night, October 31, 1919 and evidently both of them had found the person they wanted, because by April, 1920 they were ready to be married. Knowing Mom, that would have been quite a decision. She had seen Grandma and Grandpa struggle to "make ends meet" all her life and knew what doing without and working very hard was all about. I'm sure Dad was more emotional and idealistic about it even though he had been raised on tenant farms in Illinois and had had to work very hard and do without, too. Doing without in those times was more a doing without of the luxury items than of the basic things. Both families raised all their own food -- milk, eggs, meat, potatoes, etc. -- and I never heard either of them say they were ever hungry. Grandpa and Grandma Ward had even had orchards in Arkansas, apple and peach and they had wild blackberries, etc., so they had all the fruit they could eat and can. They also had a sorghum mill where they extracted the syrup from the sorghum stalks for people in the vicinity and so had all the molasses for pancakes and cooking that they could use.

But when it came to shoes and material for dresses, work pants and dress-up clothes, it was a different story. Mom's folks sent hens, eggs, and railroad ties, which mom had helped make from the standing tree right on to the finished tie, to town when cash was needed for anything. Sometimes they walked in and traded eggs for material at the store and then went home and made their own dresses, after they had decided what the latest fashion was and how to create it without a pattern!

They also sold fruit from their orchard, of course, and they never had a get together without apples and popcorn which they had raised themselves. Grandpa could play the violin and taught all the kids to play something. Mom chose violin (Lynn has the violin Mom bought in Arkansas when Grandpa and Mom, Muriel, Frank, and some of their neighbors went around to different villages and played at get togethers to sell War Bonds after World War I started.), Muriel played the guitar, and Frank played violin, also.

I don't know as much about Dad's life in Illinois. I do know that his

father worked as a tenant farmer, with a house furnished. And his mother always raised chickens and sold eggs, had a cow and sold butter and had that money to do with. When I was a kid and we went on the train to Illinois (via Dad's free passes because he was working for the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western [D.L.&W.] in Cortland) we used to visit the rest of the families in Illinois by driving Grandma's 3-pedal (clutch, brake & reverse) Model T. It was pure black and sat up away from the road -- thank goodness, because the roads there were clay and the ruts were deep. Our main roads were paved (I can't remember them not paved) in Cortland County, so it was quite a jolt (in more ways than one) to be riding on slippery when wet, and rutted dry or wet, roads. I can remember wondering if we would ever get to our destinations and it seems like one time we did get stuck in a mudhole and had a terrible time getting out.

Anyway, this Model T was Grandma's, paid for by her hens and chickens and eggs, and I think butter. She always had a Guernsey or Jersey cow and had pans of milk setting in her storm cellar so the cream could rise. Her car was as beautiful the last time I saw it as it was the first time. The person who bought it got a car that had been taken good care of. -- It always was parked in Grandma's barn and sheltered from the elements.

Since I've been doing genealogy, I talked to a 3rd cousin in Illinois who knew what became of Grandma's car. It had been stored a few years in Grandma's barn and then was sold. When the buyer came to get it he put gas in it, towed it onto the road and let the clutch in. It started right off and he drove it the rest of the way to its new home.

Dad's family had always raised everything they ate, also, but I never heard him say much about having a hard time getting shoes, etc. Perhaps he worked for Grandpa's farm owners, too, and helped earn money to use for such things. I don't think they owned a house until they bought the little one in Bethel, Illinois where we visited when I was ten or so about 1935. Before that we visited them in little houses where they were renting or tenant farming.

Text for Margaret Ellen Lear Terrell (RN=18).

This is a letter to her granddaughter, Dianna Lynn Terrell (RN=4), in answer to Dianna's letter to her Grandma and Grandpa Terrell in Ithaca, N.Y. when she started college at the Univerity of Vermont, Burlington, VT. Dianna had asked if we had memories of the great depression that we could tell her about.

Sept. 26, 1993

Dear Dianna -

It was great to get such a newsy, happy-you're-at-Burlington, letter! We're really glad such a big change in your life is working out so well. We hope you had a good meeting with your English professor and will now be able to enjoy her class as you have your previous English classes.

I, of course, especially liked your paragraph about "The Grandmother Rub"! I know the people who are lucky enough to get one will like it. It is relaxing and it also "says" you hope everything goes well with the recipient. So, rub on! Just be careful after the weather gets colder and there's static electricity running rampant. (I'm kidding). The best thing ever invented was those little sheets of "Bounce" I put in the drier that keeps me from getting zapped when I remove the dried clothes. Wonderful!

All your room & floor mates sound like busy, interested in lots of things people. What a nice variety of hobbies they have. My mom could play the harmonica, and so can Wayne, my brother. Mom played just our regular small ones, but Wayne had a larger one that had a little button on one end for sharps and flats. He also plays guitar and banjo. Lynn plays guitar for acompaniment for group singers, too.

When they were doing things in school during the depression with children, that were inexpensive for the parents, we had harmonica bands. The harmonicas were Hohners, made in Germany, and a really good little instrument. I think they were 60 cents and I think they had 8 notes (holes). I never got very proficient, but I know we all had fun.

We bought them one Christmas ("sock stuffers"), at least, for our children and I think they were 3 or 4 dollars apiece. Identical to ours in school for 60 cents. Inflation, I think.

The depression was a terribly hard time for just about everyone. Of course, we were all poor together, so we all just "did without" without really dwelling on it too much. "Hand-me-downs" and made over clothes from older children - in your own family or someone else's - were everyone's clothes, "every day" & "dress up", too. Many people were hungry, but in Virgil and Homer, where Don's family (Homer) and mine (Virgil) lived, everyone had gardens - big ones. We <u>canned and canned</u> - everything from the garden, the fruit trees, the berry bushes, and even chicken and beef and pork. I'm sure many people baked bread (Mom never did, that I remember) but my Grandma Ward did. Wayne & I used to really get excited when we went to visit and she had baked because she always made a couple loaves of Raisin Bread and frosted it with 4x sugar. With butter or even just plain, it was so good! And we were growing and could always eat a couple pieces. I've thought since that it probably made a shortage of Raisin Bread for grandpa & grandma but she always shared everything in her cupboard with everyone.

She made cream of tomato soup better than Campbell's from tomato juice she had canned. It's real touchy to do because if you don't add a pinch of soda at the right time, the milk curdles when it reacts with the tomato juice. I still love tomato soup especially Campbell's - and I never learned how to make it like grandma's because store canned soup was available before Don & I were married - and easy to make.

I think the things people had the most problem with were things that took

cash - shoes, gasoline, doctors/dentists (if you ever went), glasses. All of us had second hand cars. Only the really lucky people ever had new ones. And then they drove them until they were old. Then we got them. Grandpa and Grandma Ward never owned a car.

I used to ride to the Mill with him to get feed for the cows, horses and maybe chickens - but I think they grew their own corn for the chickens. I probably went 4 or 5 times. I didn't visit alone all that much. It was only a couple miles but it took quite awhile. We were riding in a wagon behind 2 horses and they never went much faster than a trot - mostly it was a walk, and I don't think grandpa ever pushed them to go much faster. It could have been because we were on blacktop and they were used to soft fields and lanes.

Dad and Mom always had a car, but some of them were pretty old by the time we could afford them. Dad had evidently worked in a garage at one time (I didn't realize it until we were doing genealogy) and he was pretty handy about fixing things that went wrong. Of course, the motors were very simple, then, and were easier & quicker to fix - also, there were fewer parts to break down. And gasoline was $1 for 6 gallons. I can still remember Dad driving up to gas stations and saying, "A dollars worth, please". And it lasted a week! No one pumped their own gas, then. It was a service you received because you bought the gas.

Mom and Dad were Republicans - Grandpa and Grandma, too, so I never thought much of FDR until the war. When it came over the radio that he had died, Don was in the service in Hawaii. I can remember hearing it upstairs (I was staying with Mom and Dad) and running down the stairs, crying. I ran in to Mom and Dad and told them what had happened. I was so upset! I said, "Now Don will never get home!".

None of us ever realized FDR had been crippled by the polio he had. Recently I read (or heard) that the Secret Service moved him upstairs and down, holding his arms so he was upright and appeared to be navigating the stairs by himself. The rest of the time he was in cars, or seated in chairs or behind a desk or propped up behind out of sight. And none of the news people ever discussed it or made it known to the people. Pretty weird, huh? It certainly would never happen today.

I don't remember how often we've gone to the parks here in Ithaca since you've been old enough to really look at the walks and bridges. The stonework in a lot of places, were work done by the men who belonged to the CCC (Civilian Conservation Corps). I only knew 1 person who was in it. A fellow came to our high school for (I think) our Sophomore, Junior & Senior year. He was 3 or 4 years older than the rest of us and the reason was he had joined the CCC for 3 or 4 years and then came back home and finished school.

FDR started (or his people did) the practice of having initials for every group and program. There's a name for initials standing for words of groups but I can't think of it. The WPA was Works Progress Administration and all the farmers and men who had been able to find jobs made remarks about the men on WPA. While they were building/fixing roads, improving waterways and things like that, there would always be several just standing around, leaning on their shovels so other industrious men didn't have much respect for them - and with good reason. The other men were really going full steam ahead to make a living and thought everyone else should be doing the same.

When Don & I were in High School you could sign up to the N.Y.A. (National or New Youth Administration, I think) It was a program to help boys & girls earn money so going to school wasn't such a hardship on families. Some boys helped the janitors at school. Don was working, farming his parent's 38 1/2 Acre farm while his dad ran a gas station in Cortland. He was busy full-time, doing studies, some sports and farming so he couldn't do NYA. I can remember doing typing; it must have been to help teachers. Maybe I did stencils for the "ditto" machine - the only way then to make many copies from

1 master copy. Can you imagine life without Xerox Machines?

I earned 25 cents an hour (that was the amount everyone earned) and then it would buy a pair of stockings, or a ticket to a movie, or a dance, or a basketball game. It was wonderful to be able to do my own thing and not to have to ask Dad and Mom when I knew they didn't have an extra quarter to spare.

Oh, the CCC also did "reforestation", at least, here in N.Y. State. They planted thousands of acres of pines on land owned by the State/USA. They planted them in rows and when we ride over the hills, we still see the forests which were small & medium sized pines when we were in our 20's & 30's. I think some of them are being used for the log houses people like now. I don't know whether they are actually cutting sections of trees or just using ones that they cut to thin the forests so other trees have more room.

We haven't seen large areas here cut, only thinning.

Thank you for explaining James Bay. I'd heard it mentioned and I think environmentalists here in Ithaca have either demonstrated other places about the situation or something, and I didn't really know what it was all about. Several people have gone all over fighting nuclear power plant building. As you can imagine with Cornell & Ithaca College there are more strong environmentalists than probably are usual in a city this size.

Well, my eyes are crossing (kidding again) - (it's more an unfocusing) and my right thumb is saying "Remember me?" It nudges me when I write too long, just so I won't forget Carpal Tunnel Syndrome. My fingers are quite strong again, but if I push them too hard they tell me.

I remember Odyseuss (it's a good thing you spelled it) and I never thought when I read it, I'd ever live in Ithaca, even if it is N.Y. & not Greece!

Don's glad to be finished on the Pratt book. He Xeroxed his computer originals and put it (the genealogy) in a Duo Tang Binder so it can be taken out & copied by families when they find it at libraries, etc. Now he is working on a Terrell edition. It's a long line - back to 1632 - so he'll be quite awhile.

Love,
Grandpa & Grandma Terrell

[Source: Roger Lear. Photocopy of original in our files.]

Memories
by
Daisy May Ward Lear

World War I was on at this time and in 1918 the Wards moved to Flint, Michigan, so Frank Ward Sr. could assist with the war effort. He worked in the Buick factory on a metal lathe machine making the conical nut that fits in front of the propeller. Mabel Ward Caywood's husband, Lloyd Caywood, was drafted for World War I, also Frank Charles Ward, Jr. They left Arkansas on the same train that took Frank Charles Ward,Sr., to Flint, MI. So our family was left with Rex Ward who was the boy at home and he was 10. I went to work for a Mrs. Graham in Hardy and Mother had the little ones with her. Fred Ward, the oldest brother, had been gone from home since he was 12 or 13 working for different families around home.

In August of 1917 the farmland of 250 acres was sold and we all left for Flint, even Mabel. Lloyd's and her place wasn't sold until the war ended. She and Lloyd went back to Arkansas for a while as his people lived there, just about 7 miles south of Hardy. It wasn't long before they sold out and moved back to Flint. Mabel became pregnant for Harvey who was born in Virgil on Dad's farm Feb 19, 1921.

George Lear and I were married April 15, 1920 and that night the Ward's left for the farm in Virgil. The war was over, Frank & Lloyd were safely back home. Frank, Jr. came to New York with the family and got a job in a garage in Dryden. Later he and a Dryden fellow left on a motorcycle and side car for the West. They picked apples from the State of Washington on down to get the cash to travel on. They wound up in Arizona without cash enough to get home. So they wired George and I for $75 to get home on. They got back O.K. after some bad luck and hardship and paid us back a few dollars at a time.

We soon came to New York, as the depression struck Flint. All the auto factories closed and people flocked out of Flint to get work anyplace they could find it. We and another couple, by the name of Peterson, had a Nickle Cafe for a while. Pete was tricky and took the better part of the deal. The folks had written us there were 45 different little factories in Cortland. So a cold snowy January day in 1921 Geo and I landed in Cortland with a trunk full of clothes and personal gear and $52 in our pocket. Thus began a long hard pull.

It was 3 months before Lloyd or George got a job. Lloyd got one at Farrell Garage and George found one at Fred Ames Ford Garage at $15 a wk. Then we rented light housekeeping rooms on Orchard St. and I went to work for the Cortland Overall factory and made $18 a wk. That building is across Squires Street from us now and I used to walk home at noon from here to Orchard St. I all but ran. We lived several places here. We rented from these same people an unfurnished place on 4 Washington Street and bought our first furniture and a piano. We moved to Virgil September, 1924.

[Source: Roger Lear]

FAMILY HISTORY
LEAR & FAURE

George Andrew Lear was raised on a farm near Chapin, Ill. (within four miles of there). Went with Jesse Cannon to Flint, Mich. at age of 17 to work because Ford Lear, his brother, already worked at delivering laundry for Trojan Laundry, then Cautherin Dry Cleaners. Worked on construction gang for Champion Spark Plug and then went inside to punch press on spark plugs. Moved to inspection dept. and acted as stock boy to keep girls supplied with spark plugs. This is where he met Daisy Ward as she was doing inspection operations on the spark plugs.

They went together starting Halloween night 1919 and were married on April 15, 1920. Mom stopped work and they took up living at 1507 Wright St. in Flint, Michigan. Ford owned the house and was renting to Mom and Dad. They spent the month of August, 1920 in Illinois at Dad's folks place at Bethel, IL. Then they came to New York to see Mom's folks who had moved to a farm in Virgil, on the night Mom and Dad were married. The two months were taken as work was slow and they had not had their honeymoon yet. While they were here in Virgil, Dad got a job helping build the Frog Huddle Bridge with George Barnes and the County Dept. Then they returned to Flint, Mich. where Dad had been working for the Buick Motor Co. doing inspection work.

About a month or two after they returned from Virgil they decided to start a nickel cafe. They rented an empty building at North Cagina St. They took in partners named Pete and Flo Petersen. They ran the cafe for about six months and then Peterson bought them out as Dad wanted to sell. The Peterson's had been dipping in the till and Mom & Dad had been living on their own money.

They came to Virgil Jan. 6, 1921 and 3 months later Dad got a job repairing Fords at Cortland Auto Sales, a sales place for Fords. He worked there approximately 9 months and then went to be a clerk at Grand Union on 32 Main St. Mom had gotten a job at the Cortland Overall factory down on Squires Street. They were living at Orchard St. at this time. Dad got assigned the job of rural delivery man for Grand Union and he and Mom moved to Marathon, N.Y. They lived in Marathon 3 months with Dr. Spencer (a dentist).

Then Dad got the job with the DL&W railroad handling freight in the freight house. They returned to Cortland and lived at Lewis "Hoot" Sweet's place in Virgil. When winter came they moved to Cortland at 5 Vanette St. Then they moved to Port Watson St. and Mom started working for Winter's Store. They went back to Vanette St. for about a week and then they went and bought furniture. They lived in an unfurnished apartment at 4 Washington Street until they moved to Virgil in Sept. 1924. They lived in the house on Main St. in Virgil which they bought for $450. Mom worked at Winter's until the first part of 1925 and at that time was expecting Margaret. She quit work and Margaret Ellen Lear was born on July 22, 1925 in Cortland County Hospital.

Wayne Lear was born on June 27, 1928 at Cortland County Hospital. Dad and Mom made the 7 miles to Cortland in 11 minutes as Wayne was very close. He was born 5 minutes after they arrived. In 1930 they began to raise the roof of the house for more room. Mom miscarried a boy in about the 7th month. Wayne fractured his skull falling off Grandpa's milk block at the farm in Sept. of 1930 (Labor Day). Mom miscarried two more little boys. Then in April of 1936 Roger Edgar Lear was born in the newly finished upstairs portion of the house. April 6th 1936 at 7 O'clock in the evening. I interrupted Mom's evening meal.

[Note: Added here by Margaret Ellen Lear Terrell]

[Daisy & Margaret were clearing table after meal. Daisy said "Oh!" Margaret looked to see why and saw drops of water on the floor. Thought Daisy had tipped celery dish and spilled water. She was really excited when Daisy explained her water had broke and the long awaited baby would be arriving soon. Margaret and Wayne went to stay with Eva Gee, a neighbor up the street, and told her we could go home as soon as the baby was "cleaned up". That poor little old lady about had a fit. She'd never had a child and was very surprised that we knew so much about babies and where they came from! Roger was a beautiful baby - blonde at birth with bright blue eyes and very fair complexion. Dr. Reilly from Cortland said he was the first old man he had ever delivered because Roger's hair was white/blonde. Daisy had to be very careful all during this pregnancy because muscles wouldn't support baby which was cause of 3 miscarriages and had to wear a corset. Girls from High School lived in and ironed etc. and Daisy couldn't take train rides.]

[Roger continues:]

In 1938 on Washington's birthday Mom and Dad traded places with Gram and Gramp Ward and moved to the farm on West State Road outside of Virgil. On November 14, 1938 Dale Everett Lear was born downstairs in the big bedroom on the farm. That was about 1 o'clock in the a.m. Margaret married on June 26, 1943. We moved to Ray "Timmy" Hutching's tenant farm (next house across road) in about August of 1943 as Dad found he could not handle working at the DL&W and the farm, too. We moved to the corner apartment house owned by Leslie and Goldie Hutchings in Virgil in Aug. of 1944, then to the Bert and Anna Given's place Sept 25, 1948. We went to Reynolds Avenue, Cortland (rented from Eddie Rounds, 1/2 of the house) in 1956 and rented the Given's place to Principal Wilcox. We moved back to the Given's place in 1957 and stayed there until Mom and Dad moved to 16 Squires Street, Cortland on Aug. 8 1959. They had bought the place on Squires Street in 1956 and had rented it for two years to Harry Wilcox and his mother, Leah. Wayne was married in Virgil at the Parsonage on Nov. 19, 1951.

[Source: Roger Lear with additions and corrections by Margaret Lear Terrell]

Tidbits of information from Wayne and Roger Lear
about their Mom and Dad
and their families

These tidbits of information came from Wayne Lear in 1987 when he and Roger sat and talked about their Mom and Dad (Daisy and George Lear). I (Roger) am writing them down so that our families can know what their Grandmother and Grandfather did during their lifetime.

I will send Margaret a copy of this so that she can proofread it and correct any errors that I have made as I wrote it down.

PS - Dale Lear has a copy of "When Daddy Goes Recruiting", a poem that Grandma Ward wrote about her husband's WWI recruiting. It appeared in the Hardy Arkansas Herald on February 15, 1918. It says at the bottom of the poem, Mrs. Frank C. Ward, Oak Ridge Farm.

There was a prison farm in the old farmhouse at the top of Horseshoe Bend hill, between Virgil and Cortland, N.Y. (top was same place as top of Big Hill now but they straightened it out for safety). The prisoners cleaned ditches and did other work in the village. They were convicted criminals. George was on the Virgil Town Baseball Team before the war, about 1935, and they sometimes played games at the Prison Farm against the prisoners. After 1941 or 1942, the prisoners were mostly Italians from World War II according to what Daisy told Rog a long time ago.

Grandpa Ward's dog, Bim, was left on the farm when Frank Ward traded the farm on W. State Road to George and Daisy for the little place in Virgil where Rog was born. He was a black, brown and white Collie Shepard with brown spots over his eyes and was a good cow dog with a sweet, gentle disposition. We all loved him. Bim got hit by a car, (just like Queenie and Prince, our pointers did later) and Roy Ward (Mom's oldest nephew, who hung around the farm all the time) shot him in the head with Grandma's old .22 rifle. He began barking at dark (old Roy was going to bury him the next day) and George had to go shoot him again. Roy's bullet had gone in one ear and out the other and left poor old Bim alive.

Cars that George and Daisy had: Wayne says he remembers that Dad had a 1928 Chevy Coupe. Margaret says George would come up the main road past our house in the Village when it was snowy/slippery and where the 2 roads came to a point he'd slam on brakes. We'd spin like a top. Scared Mom to death but Wayne and Margaret loved it! Think it was usually Sunday after Church.

When they lived on the farm they had a 1930(?) Super Six Essex. It had window shades that rolled up and down just like regular window shades. Roger can remember playing in it and if I remember right, I got a skinning because I broke one of the car windows with something. Margaret again says: Don't know who Dad bought the Essex from but it was up on blocks in someone's garage in Cortland for years. Dad took it off the blocks, put gas in it (air in tires and maybe oil) and drove it home, tires & all. He paid $25. for it and really got a good deal. I remember how he laughed about it. (Don't think it was a 1930, maybe '25!)

Wayne said the Essex chewed up a bearing and Dad got a 1929-1930ish Model A Ford in Syracuse on S. Salina Street for $62.50. Wayne said that at that time there were no new cars to be bought, as all new cars were going to the government and the military.

Roy Ward had bought a 1935 Master Deluxe Chevy with the "suicide" doors (both sets of front and rear doors opened towards the rear of the car). He sold it to George when we were on the farm and bought himself a 1939 Harley Davidson motorcycle. I have a picture (somewhere in the family history information) of me sitting on the seat with Roy's leather helmet on my head. The cycle weighed about 400 pounds and Wayne said Roy paid about $400.00 for it.

Dad used the Model A Ford he had bought in Syracuse as a tractor after he bought Roy's car. He also loaned it to Don and Margaret for a couple months when they lived in East Homer.

We had both the Model A and the 1935 Chevy at the Hutching's tenant farm. Wayne used to drive the Model A to work at Dave Trapp's farm helping them pick up potatoes and harvest sugar maple syrup. Dave Trapp was Melvin Trapp's uncle (his father's brother). Melvin was Muriel Trapp's (Mom's younger sister) husband. Dad gave Wayne the Model A for his own and Wayne ended up selling it for the same amount that Dad had paid for it.

We moved from the Virgil farm, where Dale was born, into the tenant house that belonged to Ray (Timmy) Hutchings, who lived at the top of Hutching's hill on the S. Cortland Road just West of Virgil. Walt Haley had owned it when we lived on the farm, but Timmy had bought it from Walt when Walt moved to Cortland. Timmy couldn't find a tenant, so he rented it to Floyd Dutton. Floyd's kid, Alfred Dutton, was the one that Ward Trapp tricked into eating goat berries by telling the poor little kid they were candy.

The Dutton's moved out of the tenant house and we moved in a few months later. Wayne says he think we moved there in the fall of 1943, as we were there when we landed on Normandy Beach (D-Day, June 6, 1944). The tenant farm was about 100 feet West of our farm and on the other side of our dirt road. Dad had sold the farm to Leo MacGuiness and his wife, Louise. They were still living there in 1990. Later, Louise had Alzheimer's disease and died. In 1994 Leo was still on the farm.

About one year later, in the fall of 1944, we moved and rented an apartment in a 2-family house on the 4 corners in Virgil which was owned by Leslie Hutchings (Hutch). He was a Deputy Sheriff (a turnkey) at the Cortland County Sheriff's Department where Wayne later worked. Hutch had owned the "Square Deal" garage right across the street in Virgil and had been a car mechanic before he became a Deputy Sheriff. Leslie and Timmy Hutchings were no relation to each other. Timmy and Bob Hutchings, who owned a farm on the creek coming into Virgil from Cortland way, were brothers. Wayne says that we used Leo's horses, Buster and Dick, and a farm wagon to move our house furnishings from the tenant house to the Hutchings' duplex house.

Raymond Hagadorn, the principal at Virgil Central School, which was just kitty corner and across the road, lived in the other side of the duplex. Later Clarence (Timer) and Dorothy Davis and their family (2 kids, Jane and Boggy) lived on the other side of the duplex. Timer bought the store from Mr. John Terpenning (Orley's father); Mr. Barnum bought the IGA store from A. D. Carpenter.

The dog I remember most was old Toby. Wayne said we got him when he was a little puppy in about 1928. Toby was 16 when he died. Margaret found him in a snowbank alongside the road in the village (Virgil) opposite the duplex between the IGA & the school. Margaret says she was driving home to the Hoose farm on Virgil-Dryden Road Don and she were renting, from work at the Cortland Line about dusk. Just past the 4 corners she saw a white mound at side of road and just glimpsed Toby's face. Turned the car around and went to the duplex. There were no lights on and Dad was asleep on the couch in the living room. Must have scared him because he got woke up by a crying daughter shaking him to tell him Toby was out by the road dead. Don't have any idea where Mom, Wayne, Dale and Rog were. Rog continues: He may have been hit by a snowplow, as he was going both deaf and blind. He was the first dog I remember and I pulled a dirty trick on him one time. I used to get 5 cents a week from Dad for testing the electric fence just South of the farm house. It saved Dad from walking way down to the corner of the fence towards the Spaulding place. Margaret says: It also saved Dad from getting zapped, which he hated. He'd ask any of us to test the fence so he wouldn't have to touch it. Roger continues: I used to grab on to the fence, and if it was working, I would certainly feel it. Anyway, one nice wet, dew-laden morning, I walked down to test the fence. Toby was with me. I'm not sure if I did it on purpose or by accident, but as I grabbed onto the fence, I reached out and touched Toby's nose. He was nice and wet up to his chest from the wet grass and the shock went through me and into him. He let out a terrible yap and took off to the house and hid somewhere. He wouldn't come near me when I called him for at least 2 or 3 days. I used to buy licorice plugs (rectangular plugs about 1 inch wide and 2 inches long and 1/4 inch thick, with a ribbed top (half circles) for one cent each at Carpenter's store with the money Dad paid me. I still like licorice.

Mr. Vinnedge and Wayne were on the roof fixing the chimney on the farm house. Roy had taken a mowing machine blade to Cortland on his motorcycle to have it sharpened. Since it was about 4 feet long, he carried it by putting it across the cycle handlebars and holding it in place with his fingers, while his hands were on the bar controls. When he came off the macadam road onto our dirt road, the bump was enough to let the mower blade slip away from his fingers. When he tried to hold it he lost control of the motorcycle and it flipped sideways onto him. His hands and arm got cut up by the sharp blade. Wayne and Mr. Vinnedge heard the motorcycle coming. When it flipped, they heard the engine race and then stop, and they saw the same cloud of dust that I did. Wayne sped on his bike to the end of the road about 1/4 mile away and Mr. Vinnedge drove his car down. If I remember correctly, I ran in and told Mom that something bad had happened to Roy and his motorcycle. She called Timer's store where Dad was stopping for groceries and Timer told dad. Dad came tearing up (I think in the 1935 Chevy) and he and Wayne took Roy to the Cortland County Hospital. Margaret says: I think Mr. Vinnedge took Roy to the hospital. Mom rode in the back seat and held Roy's head in her lap. She had on an old work dress and it had blood all over it and she was upset that she went to Cortland looking like that. They really thought Roy was a goner on the way to Cortland. He was either unconscious or <u>pretending</u> to be.

Margaret graduated from VHS in 1942 and went to school at the Cortland Business Institute until Feb. 1943 so that she could get into secretarial work. She was waiting for Donald Terrell to graduate from VHS, so they could get married. Don graduated in 1943 and they were married 3 days after that. They moved to East Homer and lived on a tenant farm where Don worked for his grandfather, Clayton LeRoy. He was drafted into the U.S. Marines after they left East Homer and went back to Virgil, rented the Hoose farm and started working for Howard Haskins (trucking).

When Don left, Maggie and their German Shepard, Pooch, moved back home with us to the duplex apartment in Virgil. She was with us there when President Roosevelt died. I can remember Maggie came running down from upstairs in the duplex, crying and saying to Mom, "President Roosevelt is dead and Harry Truman is President and now the damn war will never end!"

June 1945 she went to work for Morse Chain in Ithaca at their shipping office for about three months and then worked at Cornell Ag. Economics Main Office until just before Mark was born. She rented an apartment at 225 Columbia Street in Ithaca. When Don came home from the Marines in 1946, they lived there and Don attended Cornell for 1 year. They bought a house in Mecklenburg, New York in 1946 and moved there June 30, 1947, one day before their 1st child, Mark, was born.

Mom and Dale and I visited Wayne when he was in the U.S. Navy and stationed at the Memphis Naval Air Station in Memphis, Tennessee. That was on March 28, 1948. He was a radar instructor in aircraft (and repairman?) at that time. He had joined the Navy soon after graduating from Virgil High School. He went in with his friend, Jim Le Fever, and later they were brother-in-laws. Jim married Rena Ferris and Wayne married her sister, Marion Ferris.

We moved from the Virgil duplex to the Givens' house on Washington St. in Virgil in October 1948. We lived there while Wayne worked for the DL&W RR on the section gang, delivered feed for Farmer's Syndicate, worked at Brewer and Tichener Company, was a Deputy Sheriff, married and later became a NY State Trooper.

Mom and Dad moved to Cortland into a rented house at 23 Reynolds Ave., as they were tired of traveling back and forth between Virgil and Cortland where Dad had worked for the DL&W (Delaware, Lackawanna and Western) for many years. It took them a long time to make up their minds as Dad worked at the railroad for about 34 years before they moved. We moved there about July 23, 1956.

Elmer Timmerman bought the Virgil garage from Leslie "Hutch" Hutchings. Marshall Timmerman was Elmer's brother and he worked with him. Vernon Timmerman was the third brother, and he was Philip (Ozzie) Timmerman's father.

[Below is a letter written by Faye Lear McAllister, in Concord, Illinois, to her niece, Margaret Ellen Lear Terrell, and Donald Leon Terrell in Ithaca, NY. Grandchildren, Faye Lear McAllister is a sister of your great-grandfather, George Andrew Lear. Grandma Terrell had written Aunt Faye, after great-grandfather, George Lear had passed away, to see if she could tell grandma anything more about how your great-great-grandparents, Edgar ("Toby") Lear and Nellie Ann Brewer Lear, and their family lived in Illinois.]

Dec. 10, 1979

Dear Margaret and Don, [Terrell]

What a procrastinator I am! Hope you can forgive me but I have felt all along like I couldn't write anything as my memory is bad. Have thought I'd have Lee [Lee Cannon, Faye's sister] help as she seems to recall things I don't but never think to mention it when she is here. She hasn't been too well but is better now.

My Dad [Edgar Lear] rented 40 acres of ground with the house on it. The owner was John Hamilton and after he died his brother Henry got the place. Don't know if he bought it or what. Then a Frank Hamilton had some acres that Pop [Edgar] rented and farmed -- not a very large tract of land. He was a brother to the other two Hamiltons and this ground was down the road about a half mile close to Victory school where most of us kids attended.

Didn't do too much for pleasure but did go fishing some, went to picnics and "medicine shows" in evening when one would be in Chapin [Illinois].

As kids we didn't work much for money except when Lee and I were in high school she worked for a farmer's wife over towards Winchester [Illinois]. I helped a neighbor lady who had 3 little girls and made a little spending money. We just didn't have the things to do in those days like kids have today.

Yes, Mom [Nellie Lear] churned butter and made it out in pound moulds to sell besides raising chickens and selling eggs. I used to deliver both to buyers in Chapin.

Did start a tape to send you in Sept. but never finished it. We have a cassette recorder that Dean [her son] gave us about three years ago. He sends a tape a wk. to us then we send one back to him. He hated to write so started doing that.

We had the best Thanksgiving we've ever had. Dean and Bonnie [McAllister], Vicki [McAllister Bunting] and her husband [James Bunting] and two kids (James & Tammy, our great-grandkids) and Colleen [McAllister, granddaughter] and a girl friend (college roommate) and Keith, Mona [McAllister] and Pat [Keith & Mona's son] were all here and it was kind of crowded but was a pleasure to have them. I feel they decided they'd better do it as we are not "spring chickens" anymore. The Dr. told me that Robert has pernicious anemia but the last trip to the Dr. he told R. that he hadn't told him he has it but R. has to go up there once a month to get a B_{12} shot. Robert seems to be feeling better but yet he says he didn't feel bad. Ha.

Hope you are coming along with your "family tree" business. I think they are interesting but wouldn't want to <u>fool</u> with one.

Hope you two and the kids and grandkids are well. Did Lynn have a girl or boy and where is it she lives, Ohio?

Hope you all have a merry Christmas and a wonderful new year. Also hope you can forgive me for not writing sooner. Hope to hear from you.

Love
Faye & Robert [McAllister]

[From Joyce Lear Mullens]

[Joyce's great-grandfather, John Lear]

THE QUINCY DAILY WHIG
14 February 1880

TRAGEDY IN BROWN COUNTY

Two Men Accidentally Shot and
Killed by a Companion

A Distressing Accurate Marksman at a Target Practice.

A double homicide occurred a few days ago two miles east of Cooperstown, Brown County. John Lear and Barry Hardy being accidentally killed by John Barker. These three, in the company of other men, were at Lear's residence, engaged in shooting at a mark with a rifle. Barker also had a revolver, and with it fired what was intended to be a salute for another marksman who was seen approaching. In the place of shooting up in the air, however, he casually turned the revolver over his shoulder, and the ball entered Lear's right temple and killed him instantly. A second shot was fired by Barker immediately afterward, and this took effect in Barry Hardy's head, and he too fel, expiring in half an hour. The distressing affair created intense excitement in the neighborhood, and in fact, throughout the entire county. Barker, who is only 18 years of age, was arrested by the sheriff, and upon the preliminary examination was held for manslaughter, bail being furnished in the sum of $1,500. There was no evidence that the shooting was intentional, but proof was presented that the whole party had been drinking freely before the tragedy occurred.

[From Joyce Lear Mullens]

Brown County Democrat
Saturday, 14 Feb 1880

HORRIBLE

Two Men Killed

A friend from Cooperstown furnishes us with the following account of the terrible affair that occurred in that township last Saturday evening.

The particulars of the shooting scrape that happened Saturday, are as follows: John Lear Jr. went to Lagrange after money for some wheat he had sold. On the way home he brought some cider. When he arrived at Dave Lear's, there being several men and boys there, he stopped and they got to shooting at a mark for the cider. In a short time they all began to feel the effects of the cider more or less. It appears John Barker was drinking more than the rest or it had more effect on him. He stepped in front of the crowd and, as he supposed, commenced shooting in the air over his shoulder, but it proved to be a sad mistake for the first shot struck his uncle John Lear Jr., and killed him instantly.

John Barker, not knowing what terrible result had come from his shot, cocked his revolver and fired again in the same manner, the shot striking Barry Hardy in nearly exactly the same place that Lear was hit. Barry lived nearly an hour after the shot.

John H. Bowe, J.P., summoned a jury consisting of Edmond Parker, Thos. Bowe, Ed O'Connell, Geo. Ingles, Wm Bradbury and H.R. Dickerson, who held an inquest over the bodies their verdict being that the deceased came to their death by a pistol shot and fired by John Barker, but that it was purely accidental.

Intelligence of the affair was received in this city Sunday afternoon from parties who came for coffins, but they were extremely reticent in regard to the matter, and when Sheriff Ritter came to town on Monday morning, he started immediately for Cooperstown to investigate the matter. On arriving there deemed it his duty to arrest young Barker, which he did and brought him to town. He was placed under guard, and on Tuesday afternoon an examination took place before Judge Loveitt, States Attorney Teefy appearing for the people, W.L. Wandevender for the prisoner. The following is the evidence.

Andrew Lear sworn: Knew defendant since he was a child: knew Hardy five or six years. Last saw them both alive last Saturday evening about sundown. They had been in good health. We had been shooting rifles at a mark: Were standing together when we saw Jap Wells coming over the hill. Wells was fifty or sixty yards away. Wells hollowed put a board for me, Barker turned around, hollowed "Whooppee" and fired. Hardy was standing six or seven feet back of him a little to the right, and Lear three or four feet back of Hardy, also a little to the right. Saw Barker take his revolver out of his pocket and fire. The shots were almost together. He threw the revolver up as though he would fire in the air but it fell to his shoulder as he fired. As quick as he could bring his pistol forward and throw it up he fired again. Didn't know that either was shot until the last shot was fired. Saw Hardy fall. Lear was shot in the head near the temple. John Lear was laying on his back: Hardy was on his back with his head near at Lear's feet, Lear never spoke and died in five minutes. Hardy lived nearly an hour. Hardy could speak and Barker ask him "Who did it?" You did John, but you didn't mean to, I saw Barker's arm go over his shoulder when he shot: after Barker saw what he had done he said "How could I do it, how could I do it", Lear and Hardy were six or seven feet apart. Can't account for hitting both men. No other shots were fired.

Cross examination: There were five present at David Lear's farm yard. Wells was coming from the west. I was standing on the south side of Barker six or seven feet. Wm. Lear was close to ten feet from him. Hardy a little west of Lear. Wells hollowed, "put up my board", Barker fired over his shoulder. Didn't know anyone was shot until the second fire. I hollowed Wells someone is shot. Barker cried how could I do it. I'm a brother to John Lear. Wm. Lear was my nephew and an uncle of Barker. Hardy lived at our house. All parties were on the best of terms. There was no hard feelings: nothing like a fight occurred. Considered the shooting an accident, all on good terms with Wells. Did not know that anyone was shot until after the second shot. No question of it being an accident.

Redirect: We were all standing near the men before the shots. Don't know that Barker knew anyone was behind him. He commenced shooting as he turned around. Don't know any other cause of death.

Re-Cross: Did not see either fall. Hardy was lying near the road, his head at Lear's feet. Don't know how Barker could have shot them both.

W.H. Lear sworn: was five feet from Barker, a little south of Hardy: heard men fall but didn't look around. John Lear fell as quick as shot. Hardy and Lear were five or six feet apart. Saw Barker fire second shot. He did not change his body between shots: fired first shot, then let his revolver down, cocked it and fired a second shot: thought the pistol was pointed up. Did not see pistol drop on shoulder at all. It was long barrel T-shooter, 22 caliber. Did not see it go off. Barker put pistol in his pocket after second shot. Andy said to Barker, "See what you have done". He replied "How could I do it, how could I do it. I know I didn't mean to". Was five feet away when he drew the pistol. There was nothing said between the shots: was as quick as the pistol could be handled. Never knew any quarrel between Barker and Lear or Hardy. Did not change his position. Lear and Hardy four or five feet apart. Lear was standing behind Hardy, and Lear was shot first.

By the Court: Did not see the pistol go off: threw his arm so quick couldn't see the pistol.

Cross examination: John Lear was ten feet and Hardy five or six feet northeast from Barker when he shot. Hardy's head laid at the feet of Lear. Didn't see shot fired. Can't tell exactly how far apart they were. I first saw Wells and said Jap Wells is coming. Barker pulled out revolver, hollowed and fired. Did not see revolver at all. No word was spoken between the shots: there wasn't time to say something between the shots. All were on good term. It was a friendly shooting match. There were no hard words: never knew any difficulty between the parties. Had been in the yard almost an hour. I did not shoot. Wells was a friend. Helped remove men into the house. Hardy said to Barker, "You did John, but you didn't go to do it". He knew what he was talking about. Blood was oozing from his wound: he was lying on his back: shot struck him on the right side of the head near the temple: both were shot near the same spot: laid on the ground three or four minutes before they were taken into the house: was not in the house with them.

Redirect: Saw Hardy fall. John Lear was taller than Barker: Hardy was not as tall as Barker.

Jasper Wells: was fifty or sixty yards away from the shooting: Saw Barker throw his hand up: saw Lear fall, threw it up again and saw Hardy fall. Thought the yells were in fun and trying to put a job on me. Can't tell anything about the position. Barker had his face towards me and his back towards Lear and Hardy: saw no pistol: saw the smoke both times and heard reports: got to the men in a minute. Andy Lear hollowed, "two dead men". Heard no one say anything between the shots. Would have heard had anything been said. Lear never spoke after he was shot. Lear fell on his back with his head to the south. Hardy lay on his back with his head at Lear's feet, a

little to one side of Lear: knew all of the parties. Saw Barker take pistol out of left coat pocket and put it in his right hand.

Cross examination: Been acquainted over a year. All on good terms. I hollowed put up my board, and got on the fence before the shooting commenced. Nothing said between shots: thought they were in fun. Andy Lear said. "Two men shot". Barker said to Hardy "My God, Barry, who did this?" Hardy replied, "You did John, but you didn't intend it". Lear was then dead: did not speak at all. I just happened along. It was light enough to see: Lear was looking towards me when he was shot.

Redirect: Was in the house: Hardy lived about half an hour. Didn't hear him say anything in the house.

Cassie Lear: I saw the parties fall: did not see the revolver: was sixty yards away. Shot one right after another. Barker said who did this: Andy Lear replied you did: he answered: "How could I, how could I". I went to Hardy, found he was hurt very bad: he said I am dying. This was before he was taken into the house. I was in the house when he died. He lived half an hour.

Cross examination: Hardy told Barker that he didn't go to do it. I staid at the house all night. Barker staid at the house all night. Didn't notice how many was there. Suppose the boys was all on good terms: never heard any row. All who spoke about the matter considered it accidental.

Dr. W. T. Bradbury: I am a physician: was called to see Barry Hardy: found that he was dead from the effects of a pistol shot to the right side of the head, sufficient to cause death. Both he and Lear were dead. Lear's was right over the ear: Hardy's a little front and higher up. The balls did not go through the head. Lear's went upward and I think lodged near the top. Hardy's toward the side. Lear's was the most deathly wound: either was sufficient to cause death. Don't think either would destroy sensibility immediately.

THE DEFENSE

Margaret A. Lear: Knew John Lear, also John Barker: was in the house when the shooting occurred. Heard the shots! When I came out Lear was dead: went to Hardy: he did not speak. He lived about half an hour. He was lying with his head at Hardy's feet, both in the same direction: both was lying on their backs.

David Lear: Did not see the shooting. Heard Hardy say, to John Barker, "You did it, but you did not do it purposely". John Lear, the dead man is my nephew. Knew Hardy twelve years. All were on most friendly terms. I never knew a word of discord between the parties.

Miss Belle Lear: Knew John Lear: David Lear is my father. The shooting occurred in his yard. Did not see it. Heard Hardy say to Barker: "You did it, but you didn't go to do it". The bodies laid in the yard three or four minutes.

John Barker, the defendant was then sworn and testified: born in Brown County: lived here all my life: Hiram Barker, Jr., is my father. Knew Hardy five or six years, Lear all my life. Hardy's parents are dead. He is nineteen or twenty years of age. I was eighteen last August. John Lear was my uncle. I'd always been on the best of terms with both: had no quarrel. We were in David Lear's yard: had been shooting at a mark with rifles for an hours. I took the revolver out of my left pocket to fire a salute for Jap Wells, whom someone said was coming. Did not know anyone was behind me: the shooting was purely accidental. There was no ill will between us. Just after the shots my uncle told me what I had done. Hardy and uncle Lear were

standing ten or twelve feet from me. Don't know which one was shot first: didn't hear either fall. I was looking at Wells. The dead men were my very best friends. Don't know how anyone shot there. I asked Hardy who did it? He replied, "You did but you didn't go to do it".

Cross examination: I was standing in front of the men when Jap Wells complied as soon as I could get the revolver out of my pocket. Knew the men were standing behind me. One chamber was empty. We were always on the best of terms. I had been drinking: was under the influence at the time. Knew what I was doing. Recollect, but didn't know where my hand was going. Don't know why I shot as I did. Because I was under the influence of liquor, twisted to shoot in the air.

The case was summoned up by Mr. Teefy for the People, and Mr. Vandeventer for the defense. Judge Loveitt held Barker for appearance at Circuit Court in the sum of $1,300. The bond was immediately given with Hiram Barker, Jr., John H. Bowe, and L. P. Barker as securities.

[Note: From History of Schuyler and Brown Counties, Illinois.
1686-1882 page 135]

John Barker, at the February term, 1880, was indicted for the killing of John Lear and Berry Hardy. A company of men were engaged in shooting at a mark with a pistol at Cooperstown, on the 7th of February, 1880, when Barker, in the act of flourishing the pistol carelessly above his head, accidentally shot one of the men who were standing a few steps back of him. Raising the pistol again, it was a second time discharged and the other man was killed in exactly the same manner as the first had been, receiving his wound in precisely the same part of the body. Barker was under the influence of liquor at the time. He was tried at the fall term of the circuit court, 1880, and was acquitted.

[Note: The below letter and poem was written by Daisy May Ward Lear to her son-in-law, Donald Leon Terrell (that is me) while he was serving 22 months in the United States Marine Corps during World War II. Daisy had always called me her "favorite son-in-law" and it was a few years before I realized that I was her only son-in-law because Margaret Ellen Lear Terrell was their only daughter. However, it always made me feel really special when she referred to me as her "favorite son-in-law". I loved Daisy very much and she will always be my "favorite mother-in-law". Grandchildren: Daisy May Ward Lear was your great-grandmother.]

3 Feb 1945

Dear Donald:

This is the way you must approach this manuscript. Now you have the letter open, proceed to tear open the gum [Daisy had sent me a package of chewing gum because I couldn't get it overseas.], put in two or three sticks and begin champing slowly. Then, if the meter is bad (I mean of the script), chew accordingly and it will all come out right. If you have any subject you would like for me to work on, just mention it. It's hard to tell which one of us will be published first.

Well, this is the 3rd of February. [The] Ground hog saw his shadow the 2nd [of February]. The sun tries hard to shine today. Only hope it does. At last report we had 112 1/2 inches of snow and still snowing.

Lots of love from all us Lear's.

Dear Don:

I sit me down to pen you a line
With the sun shining bright this day.
While you're sailing away on the salty brine
And getting farther and farther away.

While we stay here, where the snow's so deep
You are under the tropic skies.
You can bask in the sun and go to sleep
If you don't have to chase tropical flies.

The letter you sent we were sure glad to get
We are glad that your health is good
Glad your cavity hasn't gone hungry yet
And if we tho't that it would;

We'd cut down on spuds and also good meat
Butter and other things too
For we want you boys to have plenty to eat
And not just be filled with rice goo.

Your book about corns sounds good to me
But mine aren't on my big toe.
They are deep down between my toesies so wee
And are causing me plenty of woe.

Hope that your book soon goes to press.
I'll read it, and hope find relief.
If I don't, well, I anyway guess
I'll have to put up with my grief.

It's too bad, we think, but it must come to pass
I mean that "Cruise on the Blues"
But it comes to Marine and Navy lass
Who stand for U.S. loyal and true.

You're cunning at card tricks
I know they are good.
For when you were here in the sticks,
Don't you remember at evening you would:

Get out the cards and make Waynie guess
Just how you did it and, Wow,
It kinda got Waynie's old goat
He never quite understood how.

You've passed the censors so far, my boy.
For your letter's so far are intact.
They won't be cutting them up for joy
If your converse stays on the right track.

Since I started this masterpiece to you, Don
You've arrived safely "Thank God" at the base
Where you will learn more of how to get on
When you meet those slant eyes face to face.

And wasn't it wonderful, we think it was,
After sailing for miles on the blue.
To think that you met with your brother because,
The love of that brother is true.

And while you're together we hope it will be,
Grand parties and everything fine.
For swell guys, we think, just like you and he,
It repays for that trip on the brine.

Your honey is with us, she moved box and bag.
We have her parked in that front room
You know the one, filled with books, box and rags,
There's not space to sweep round with the broom.

But we're glad to have her, it seems like old times,
Like when we lived on the farm.
And I think she'll be able to live on less dimes
And we all will protect her from harm.

The roads were so bad and the car wouldn't run
And she mighty near ran out of coal.
It was ceasing to be so very much fun
Besides here, she is nearer her goal.

Now have a good time but, be on your guard,
Be skillful with knife and your gun
And if you must fight, fight good and hard
And kill all of those yellow skinned bums.

We all are well but this winter's no fun
Snow's high, wind's nigh drives you blind
If we only could swap you for bits of that sun
We'd think it was surely a find.

Well, Son, this script must come to an end
Like good things always must do, Ha Ha
To be a good poet I'll never pretend
T'would be foolish, I wouldn't run true.

Now may God protect you and keep you from harm
As he guards you from high up above
Bring peace to your heart, blot out alarm
Is the prayer for <u>you</u> that we love

Lovingly your Mother-by-law
Daisy.

[Note: Below is a letter written by Daisy May Ward Lear to her son-in-law, Donald Leon Terrell, while he was in the United States Marine Corps stationed at the Fleet Marine Force Pacific Headquarters in Pearl Harbor, working in the office and waiting to be discharged and home to Maggie, after World War II. Grandchildren, Daisy May Ward Lear was your great-grandmother.]

May 46 [1946]

Dear Donald;

First I want to thank you for your thoughtfulness for Mother's Day and it certainly was a beautiful card and I only hope I can become worthy of those beautiful sentiments -- to all of my children. Well, it is still raining, we have on a rainy season just like it used to be down south [Hardy, Arkansas]. We got a letter from Margaret [Terrell, my wife, waiting for me in Ithaca, New York.] Wednesday telling us that you might be able to start home by August. Now that would be grand, Don, and of course we are hoping and praying that it comes to pass. The months that lie between will just fly past if you have that to look forward to.

I only hope we can persuade Wayne [Lear, her older son] to hold off his enlisting until you come. He seems bent on going even with teenagers off the draft. He would like to go to college and I tell him he can if he wants to. He has an insurance that was taken out for that purpose when he was born so he could use it. The trip he had to N.Y. City was swell, Don, and he enjoyed it so much. The class [Senior graduating class from Virgil High School.] had their pictures taken this week & Wayne's is a fine one I think. He is going to help Mr. A. D. Carpenter this afternoon, he is moving his household goods below where the Carson's lived. He [A. D. Carpenter] is having an auction Saturday afternoon. Poor old fellow, it is hard on him having to shift around like he has been doing since she [Georgianna, his wife] has been gone.

We got a letter from Mrs. Leo Cook today, perhaps Margaret told you he [Leo Cook] died the 18th of March. She says she misses him so and the good times they had, it is hard to believe they are gone forever. She is one of the sweetest women I ever knew. Such a beautiful disposition and Cookie's said so himself. George [George Andrew Lear, Daisy's husband] didn't bid on that job, Don. As it figured he would be only about $500 ahead at the end of the year and of course with the housing situation as it is we may have had to pay lots higher rent. Mrs. Cook said she thought we did the wise thing about it and she should know as they tried it out over here [in Cortland] as we would have by going there [in Cortland]. [Leo Cook was George's boss at the D.L.&W. Railroad in Cortland when the railroads were downsizing. George and Daisy were still renting in Virgil and evidently had no desire to move to Cortland to replace Leo when he retired.]

I wish you could send us up a car load of that sunshine. I would like to apply it a few places to see if it would draw out some of the bad spots we have. Wayne just came in and said he would write you a line, so I'll run along now and let him tell you what he knows.

Love and best of luck for that time you will be heading our way. We will kill the fatted calf and have a jubilee you can bet and thanks again for the card.

Love from All us Lear's

[Daisy May Ward Lear]

P.S. Notice the stamps, Don. Aren't they pretty?

[Note: Below are several letters written by Roger Edgar Lear for him and his younger brother, Dale Everett Lear, so their mother, Daisy May Ward Lear, could mail them out to their big brother-in-law, Donald Leon Terrell, who was in the United States Marine Corps during World War II. Roger was 8 yrs. old and Dale only 6 yrs. old when Roger wrote these letters in 1944/45.]

Sept 3 - 44 [3 Sept 1944]

Roger E. Lear

Dear Don,

How do you like the Marines? Robert Argyle is here. Wayne [Wayne Lear, their older brother] is with him running around hunting for woodchucks.
This is Sunday night, just 9 o'clock. Well, I will close for now.

[Daisy finished writing for Roger] Lots of luck, Don
From Roger

Dear Don;
Since Roger had me finish this, I will scratch a line. We are all getting along good. Marg [Margaret Ellen Lear Terrell, Daisy's only daughter and my wife of only one year] and I have been sewing. We have her plaid suit all finished & the skirt of the blue one all done but the hem.
Say, we all felt glad to think you made the Marines when you wanted in that branch of service so badly. Glad you enjoy the others, too. I mean the work outs [calisthenics] and all. The war news sounded fine tonight.
Well, lots of good luck to you, Don, from all of us.

Your Mother-in-law
[Daisy May Ward Lear]

Roger E. Lear
Jan 19, 1945

Dear Don,

The Metcalfe's, Dale and I built a snowfort, 8 of us can get into it. Down back of Pond's there is a good ice pond. 19 full grown kids were on it Dec. 31. You ought to see Pooch [Maggie's and my dog]. Dale is getting 100's every day in school. Kill me a Jap, will you, if you get a chance? Margaret is going to put her bed in the little bedroom upstairs. We are going to put books up in the attic.
I drew a picture to send you. It's a Marine picture, that's you manning the cannon. That Jap plane is getting the beating of its life.
Jan 19, 1945 we took care of Mrs. and Mr. Robert Stevenson's baby, his name is Bobby Stevenson. He is a good boy. Pooch is down cellar asleep.
I will have to go to bed now.

Your loving brothers
[Roger let Dale print his own name here.] Roger and Dale Lear

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Roger Lear
Jan, 26, 1945

Dear Don,

Homer school caught on fire Jan 26, 1945, burned the south end down. They were having a basketball game.

The snow in Virgil is about 9 feet in some places, no kidding. I hope you're in good health and when a Jap comes near, you could scare him out of his wits. How is Bob [my brother Robert Brayton Terrell, also in the Marines]? I hope he is in good health too. Carl Johnson is staying with us until morning. He has been here since Wednesday when school was closed because of the worst blizzard of the winter. Dad [George Andrew Lear] doesn't think he can get through [to the DL&W Railroad freight house, in Cortland, NY, where he works] in the morning. The roads are blocked. You know Timmermans's old barn up on the hill? Dick Timmerman and Dale and I walked about a half mile beyond the barn.

You ought to see Pooch [Maggie and Don's dog], he grows 1 foot longer every day and 1 foot taller every day. Dale is reading Jim and Judy books. Dale has just gone to sleep.

Well, I guess I will have to hit the sack now.

With love, your brothers,
Roger Lear and Dale Lear and family.
yours truly Don. [Roger added this at bottom]

[Note: Added by their sister, Margaret Ellen Lear Terrell, in October 1995.

Roger and Dale picked up some of Don's Marine phrases like "hit the sack" for going to bed. When Don had been in the service a short time and I was staying all night, Roger got ready for bed, told me "Good-Nite" and said, "I'm going to hit the bag." It took a second for me to realize he'd substituted "bag" for "sack" and I laughed so hard! I still giggle when I think of it. He was being so grown up and cool, it was really comical.]

[Below is a letter written by Wayne Arden Lear to his brother-in-law, Donald Leon Terrell, while Don (me) was in the United States Marine Corps stationed at the Fleet Marine Force Pacific Headquarters in Pear Harbor, working in the office and waiting to be discharged and home to Maggie, after World War II.]

5/20/46 [20 May 1946]

Dear Don,

I hear you've been setting them up in the next alley. I'm glad you're making good at it. [Wayne was talking about my part-time, evening job of "setting up pins" in the back of the bowling alleys at the servicemen's recreation center. I and another fellow Marine also ordered several dozen sandwiches made up for us in a downtown Honolulu restaurant, and then sold them at a handsome profit to our ever hungry "bunk mates" just before "lights out" were sounded in our marine barracks each evening. I also worked other times at the "Non-Com's" center (a recreation center & bar for Naval and Marine Non-Commissioned Officers) serving as a bartender or waiting on tables, and also making some good "loose change" on tips. All of these jobs, of course, were during my "off duty" hours from my day-time job of office worker for "Uncle Sam" at our headquarter's office in Pearl Harbor on the island of Oahu. I then would take this extra spending money that I had earned and go down to the Navy surplus warehouse and purchase little household items, like bathroom washcloths, towels, kitchen knives and cooking utensils etc., and ship them back to Maggie who was waiting for me to come back to her and continue our young "interrupted" married life in upstate New York.]

We are all O.K. and hope you are the same. I got back from Cincy [Cincinnatus, NY] tonight. We won our second ball game [baseball] in a row. 17 - 15. We beat McGraw 11 - 2. Chub [Rolland] Dalley got a homer today. Drove two runs in. I bounced one over the fence and had to go back to second. First good hit I've had this year. We lost the first four games. Marathon, Cincy, Homer & Truxton. I hope we win the rest.

There is only about five more weeks of school. I hope it would hurry up and get by. So you don't think I ought to join the Navy? They told me in Syracuse they had a quota of air-men to fill up and they would put on my papers I wanted an air position. If I'm mentally and physically fit I will be eligible to fly when an opening comes. They said I would have to "stripe" for it. I have hopes. [Wayne means he would have to earn a stripe to get it.]

There are lots of woodchucks around this year. I've got 5 or 6 so far. Why don't they make a soft nosed bullet for the carbine? Wouldn't that make a swell woodchuck rifle? I think so. I'd like a .22 Hornet if I was going to stay here.

They are really putting the studies to us at school. I have home work pretty near every evening and I haven't had much of it so far. But now it's all review and not too bad.

I hope Tony Bays and I can go to Jamestown over Decoration Day. We have gone the last 2 years. I don't know where I'll get the dough unless I borrow it. The coal shortage knocked out a lot of the trucking business so haven't been working for Vunk [driving truck for Harold Vunk] much lately. I have picked up milk once or twice a week. Had 78 cans Sunday morning.[Trucking milk cans picked up from farmers in the area, taking them to the creamery and then delivering the empties back to the farmers.]

I can't get any shells for my .32 auto pistol. It's pretty tough but ought to get some soon.

Well, write and be good. I had a swell time in New York.[Senior trip]

Wayne [Lear]

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Don at U. S. Marine Corps Combat Training
Camp Lejeune, North Carolina
(after 10 day furlough home with Maggie)
Maggie at Virgil, New York

[Don to Maggie]

7 Nov 1944

[NOTE: The square brackets, [ ], were used by Don, 50 years later, when he entered their letters into the computer, to clarify names, places, subjects and also for comments to Maggie, their children and grandchildren.]

Here I am back again. We arrived in Wilson at 1100 and after fooling around awhile at Jacksonville, we reported in at headquarters at 1820, received our orders and took a bus 10 miles down here to tent city. We are lucky so far, living in small, light huts instead of tents. Haven't any address as yet. Cold as hell down here at night, but we keep fires roaring. Everything is all mixed up right now, but will be settled down in a few days, maybe. Aren't in any Company yet, although most of our fellows are, and have already started training. Are waiting now to be transferred to a Training Company. Will be here only a few weeks, then taking off for God only knows where. Am feeling great and right now am spending a little time thinking about you.

8 Nov 1944

Pvt. Donald L. Terrell 983241
8th Tr. Bn.; Co. A; Plt. 1
Inf. Tr. Reg. F.M.F.
Tent Camp
Camp Lejeune, N.C.

Well, honey, it looks like we are going places and seeing things, but fast. It seems they are planning a boat ride for us in a couple weeks or so. The destination being unknown, but the guess is, on some island like Hawaii, Pearl Harbor and etc. The purpose, my far away love, is to further train us for actual combat with our friendly neighbors, the slant eyes and commonly known as rats.

Don't go getting any screwed up ideas in your pretty head that I am going into combat right away, but if you should happen to get a letter from me in a couple of weeks, written from some nice fox hole on some nice island, someplace on the nice Pacific ocean, someplace on this nice world -- well, just don't be surprised -- See?

9 Nov 1944

You finished your noon chow yet, honey? Well, if you have, how about sitting down a few minutes and listening to what I have to tell you.

First of all, wrap the raiders knife that I picked out, that Dad got for me, along with the new pair of sunglasses, that should be in the back seat of

our car, and send them to me at once. By that I mean today, honey, so I will be sure to have them before I leave. Got to fall out.
10 Nov 1944

It has been over five days now, since I last held you in my arms and kissed you. At the time, there was little thought in my mind but what I would get another chance to kiss you again in a few months. But now it seems, according to all calculations, that I won't get to see you again for quite a few months, unless we are awfully lucky and get a 72 hour pass. Even if we did get that, it wouldn't be time enough for me to meet you although I will give it a thought.

Don't go asking me to come down and see me, because it won't work. They used to let the fellow's wives come down and stay in one of the many boarding rooms around close by to camp. Last time, there were many wives, sweethearts and parents came down to see the fellows. But they never got to see them, because the fellows were all on alert, ready to ship out in the next Draft. They were restricted from writing letters, telephoning, telegraphing or having liberty to see their friends. So, you see, you shrimp, the U.S.M.C. had to turn away many wives and relations that had spent a lot of money and time to get down here.

While I was riding into camp, I talked with a Sergeant that had been in camp a couple years. He said I could have you down over Christmas vacation and be able to see you nights and weekends, if I didn't have night problems to do. I was all hyped up, planning to make reservations for you for Christmas vacation. But now we have been told that we will be out of here before Christmas, maybe Thanksgiving, and very likely any day now.

When we go, honey, we go on a train straight to the West Coast, hop on a troop transport, and head for some island to finish our training. The last Draft that went out of here last week was at the camp only about two weeks. They were told, like we were at first, that they would spend several weeks at Camp Lejeune. All of a sudden, they were told to pack, no letter writing, etc., and shoved off. The transport was waiting for them when they got there. By now, they are training in different maneuvers on some island, to get down pat the exact maneuvering to take another Jap occupied island.

I guess that is enough bullshit about our shipping out for now, honey, so I will give you a couple lines on what we have been doing so far. As I told you in my last letter, the first couple days down here we were all mixed up. You see, they took all of us fellows coming back from furlough, put us in alphabetic order, and assigned us to different Companies as we came in order. Naturally, since there were four different Platoons of us, and since our names placed us all throughout the line, our old Parris Island Platoon 504, the best Platoon on the island, was broken up so bad that only 5 or 6 fellows, and mostly less, were placed in the same Company, which is made up of 4 Platoons. The Platoons are made up of 4 Squads. The Squads are made up into 3 Fire teams. I am in Company A, Platoon 1, Squad 4, Fire team 2.

Battalions (we are in Bn. 8)
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Company (216 men)
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4 Platoons (54 men apiece)
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Platoon 1
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4 Squads (13 men apiece)
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Squad 4
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3 Fire teams and 1 Squad leader (4 men to a Fire team)
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Fire team 1
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Fire team leader; B.A.R. man; ass't B.A.R. man; rifle man.

11 Nov 1944

You should see the line of fellows waiting in pay line tonight, waiting to get paid. To give you an idea of how many there are, and how long we wait in line around here, I'll tell you about it. At 1750 we fell in company formation; marched over to the pay office and got into alphabetic order. It is now 2005, and they have gotten as far down the alphabet as "K". Since I was way back in the line, I came back to the barracks for awhile to shoot the shit with some of the other fellows. Probably about 2200 I will get my pay. You see, honey, there was the whole Battalion over there. Since there are over 200 men to the Company, and A,B,C,D & E Companies, that totals up to maybe a thousand men, all in line at one time. Some place, huh, honey?

There are so many things to tell you, that I don't know where to start, and I don't feel too much like writing anyway, that is, so that you can read it.

Today we played with dynamite, and I mean played with it. All together, I'll bet there were tons of dynamite expelled today, and every person in our battalion handled, prepared for detonation, and exploded some of it, individually and personally, one at a time. I know, you are wondering how so many men could handle so much TNT without anyone getting hurt. Well, I guess it is all because of the good management of the Marine Corps, and then again it was due partly to the good conduct of the Marines themselves. Of course, there are times when accidents will occur, but not too many. They are always prepared, though, by having ambulances made out of Jeeps, ready at all times and also by taking all precautions known.

We shook the earth until I thought it was going to open up and swallow us up in its depths. We used nearly every kind of high explosive that the Armed Forces has.

Each one of us placed a cap on a fuse, crimped it on (which is dangerous unless done right), reamed out the block of TNT, placed cap in, tapped it on, lighted fuse and tossed it out a few feet from us and, in a few seconds, felt the earth shake under us, were covered with dirt, and left the line with our ears ringing, and our hearts thumping fast. It really is quite a thrill, honey, and we got a great kick out of it.

Yesterday, we threw real hand grenades (fragmentation M K-3), and fired some more practice anti-tank grenades.

Monday, we are falling out with full pack, for a week of bivouacking or staying out in tents and eating "K" and "C" rations for 7 days, and going on maneuvers and through obstacle courses.

It is now 2105 and I just got back from getting my big pay check, a whole, brand new, crisp, bright $5 bill. Aren't I rich? This is the damndest place you ever did see, honey, even if it is the best damned outfit in the world. Some of the fellows got $50, some $25 and some $5. I don't know how they figure it, but they do. Don't worry, we aren't getting rooked out of any of our pay, because we will get it all in turn, eventually.

[Don to Maggie]

25 Dec 1944

Pvt. Donald L. Terrell 983241
42nd Replacement Draft
Co. B; Plt. 14
c/o Fleet Post Office
San Francisco, CA

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, honey! I know that by the time you get this letter Christmas and New Year's will have come and gone but I am telling you today, not when you get this letter. Here is hoping you had lots of fun and welcomed the new year in and helped the old year out even if we couldn't be together this year.

Since I don't know exactly yet what the censors will pass and what they won't, don't be too surprised if you find part of this letter cut out. As you had probably guessed, we are now sailing the deep blue seas and if I do say so myself, I am enjoying every minute of it. In fact, this is the most fun that I or any of the rest of us have had since we joined the Marine Corps. Of course, that doesn't include the seven wonderful days I spent with you, darling, on furlough.

The short train ride was hot and uncomfortable as the car we were in was an old one and had no ventilation in it at all. So far, during the past three days I haven't been sea sick -- that is, sick to my stomach. I was dizzy as hell, though, at first and my head throbbed and twisted like I was in a hurricane. I still get dizzy as hell every once in a while and have to go up on deck in the cool breeze to get over it.

I wish you could be with me, honey, you know, just like a pleasure trip until we got to where we are going. It would be nice for our neglected honeymoon but I'm afraid it would be fairly well crowded right now on board. The vast "ink blue" ocean, with it's many mammoth waves splashing up against the sides of the ships is a sight which I stand and watch for hours with interest. The last couple nights I slept up on deck underneath the protecting cover of the big "Higgen's boats" that they use to take us ashore during beach landings. The first night up on deck I was drenched by big waves that were carried on deck by the strong, cool winds. I soon got wise and moved to the other side of the ship last night where wind, waves or rain couldn't get me.

Since they have only 2 meals a day on board ship, we won't have our Christmas dinner until about 1700. I spied turkey in the galley so am expecting a very good meal. Have been entertained by a "pick-up" orchestra which is damned good. Will write later many miles farther away.

[Maggie to Don]

26 Dec 1944 12:15 A.M. Tuesday Morning

Happy 18th Anniversary, honey. Today's the day, you know. [Maggie and I had been married for 1 1/2 years or 18 months as of 26 Dec 1944. Guess what, Grandchildren? Grandpa and Grandma have now been married for 50 1/6th years or 602 months!!! And hopefully we will still have a few more years together.]

Honey, I'm back down here [at our little house by Mother's and Dad's]. I forgot and left Pooch [our dog] up to mom's and I feel so funny. This is the first nite he hasn't been in the house with me. And it's so cold in here my fingers are about freezing off. Some of your smart relatives shook hell out of my fire and then left it. I could kill somebody and if I have to sit around till 3:00 getting it going I will bump off somebody tomorrow. I asked them just to put coal on it, today. It would only need it 2 times at the most. I'm mad, or did you know it? [Now, now, honey. Don't go getting your dander up. I am sorry that I wasn't there to keep the fires going for you, honey. I love you Margaret Ellen Lear Terrell!!!]

Well, honey, today we got --

A Back Brush (for the shower)
A Soap Mitt (for the shower)
Bath Salts (for the shower) [Say, honey, how do you use bath salts in a shower? Do you sprinkle it on your hair or between your toes?]
Set of wastebaskets
Fingernail polish [We got? Does that mean for me too?]
Cologne
Perfume [Where do I put it? Behind my ears? You use it, honey.]

Is that enough, sweetheart, or would you like more? [No, honey. That made a very nice Christmas for us. I love you.] Especially the things for our shower will come in handy. That back brush isn't for you because I always intend to wash your back when you're with me. -- So the back brush is for me while you're gone.

Honey, I love you and I missed you so today. It didn't even seem like Christmas. It still doesn't seem like it was. Probably about next July I'll begin to wonder if Christmas isn't coming soon.

Honey, I'm going to pull one of your tricks and finish this in the A.M. My fingers are so cold I feel like a refrigeration unit.

Goodnite, Sweetheart
Sleep Tight
I'll always love you
Maggie

11:20 A.M. Tuesday Morning [26 Dec 1944]

Here I am again, honey, but the stove is hot and the rooms are getting warmer. It was so cold this morning that I kept waking up 'cause my feet were so cold so I started the fire going and then got up. I think the water pipe is frozen in the kitchen. Not solid but enough so the pressure isn't very good. It's not as cold out as it was in here, I think. I've got wood, dumped ashes and got coal -- which I had to do before writing you because I was all out and the ash pan was full!

My feet are still cold, honey. I wish you were here, then they wouldn't have got cold in the first place.

I don't believe the postman has come yet. Say, honey, the short letter I wrote you Christmas Eve is still up home. I'm going over to your mother's and see if Leon [Terrell] got through all right. [Maggie means: Did my Dad get through the snow drifts to Cortland so that he could open up the gas station for his customers?] My pocketbook is over there, too and it has my stamps in it.

Mr. Abbott [a dairy and chicken farmer just 2 farms above us] just went up by so I guess the road is O.K. If I can get the car started, I think I'll take the car up town [Cortland] about 5:30 tonite, leave it to be fixed and come home with Leon [Terrell].

I forgot to tell you, honey. On the tag on the outside of our pictures for your dad and mom, I put --

Dad and Mother
from
Don and Maggie

O.K.? I thought if you were here that would be the way you'd write it.

Both your folks and my folks were tickled pink with our pictures, honey. They're really nice -- I told you I framed them before giving them, didn't I? All the rest of the kids were satisfied with their gifts -- Wayne [Lear] and Doug [Terrell] and Dick [Terrell] , Jean [Terrell], Rog [Roger Lear] and Dale [Lear] and all our cousins. I don't think I spent very much, either, honey. I'm broke but it's because I bought our 1945 License plates [for our car]. We are going to have our old CT 1482 again, honey. Isn't that swell?

Well, I'm going to run out and mail this, honey.

[Maggie then wrote: "I love you" in shorthand, then in English, then in Latin: "Ego Amo Te". No, Grandpa can't read shorthand or Latin, so Grandma always wrote below or above the words, in English, what she had told me in shorthand or Latin.]

27 Dec 1944 12:45 A.M. Wednesday Morning

I'll tell you the bad news first, sweetheart, and then I'll proceed on to happier and more intimate conversation -- Bob Lockey [close friend of Bob Terrell] is reported killed in action. They got word today. Honey, I've felt all along that he would be dead. The way I figure it -- guys in airplanes can be missing and turn up later -- safe and sound -- <u>But</u> guys on the ground that are missing haven't got much chance. Almost all the fliers from around here that have been missing have turned up Prisoner of War someplace.

Well, honey, -- now let's --
"Talk of Me and Thee" --
O.K.?

You know, <u>of course</u>, Pvt. Terrell - 983241, that I love you more than it's possible for me to love anyone else -- And I always will.

Honey, it's funny, but I was thinking today (after I saw a piece on wives stepping out on their Service Men) that we're a funny pair of goofs. I didn't even think of stepping out the minute you were gone and I never will think of it! "I'll Walk <u>Alone</u>!" Except for you -- . And I didn't consider, seriously, at least, the possibility of your stepping out the minute you got rid of me. Most people do just the opposite -- They both step out and then they worry and wonder if their partner's doing the same thing back home or at Camp.

Honey, I don't know about you, but when we got married I felt the same

way. Way down, deep inside I knew I'd never love anyone but you and I felt that you'd never love anyone but me. Maybe you'll say -- "Conceited Woman" like you always did but wasn't that the way you felt?[Yes] I'd found the one I was looking for and I didn't have to look any further -- And Didn't! (look any further) and I never will. Maybe we have faith in each other because each of us knows we'll be true to each other, no matter what happens, because I'm sure if I cheated, I'd be watching out for you to cheat, too. So, Darling, you can just be sure, Always, that I'll love you and no one else, and I'll be remembering the same thing about you. Maybe that's another reason we feel so sure of each other -- As long as I know I have your love, I'll give you all of mine and it's probably pretty much the same with you. So we'll just keep on giving each other all our love for the next Billion years or so, [How about 50 years and counting, honey?] -- even after we're dust in the family lot and have great-great-grandchildren. [Hey, wait just one darn minute! I want to see some of those grandchildren (10 to be exact) and possibly some of our great-grandchildren before we're just "dust in the wind", so to speak.]

Well, honey, I imagine you've boiled all my thinking down to one big, unshakable fact --

Building up to
the
Big --
Unshakable --
F A C T --

I love you
I've always loved you
And
I'll always love you
Forever and Ever -- Amen --

Sweetheart, Darling, honey and all the rest just helps me say "I love you", honey, and they always will. When you say "honey" in your letters, I know you mean "I love you" and "I wish I were with you right now -- I'd show you!!" because that's what I mean when I say them. -- The Terrell Method of Shorthand, I guess -- Instead of [Maggie wrote shorthand for I love you here], it's -- honey. Both are I love you --

Jean [Terrell] and I rode up when Leon [Terrell] went bowling and went to the show. We saw "Heavenly Days" (Fibber McGee and Molly) and something like "The Return of Arsene Lujun". It was darned good -- Arsene was a Frenchman who was a sort of Robin Hood -- Stealing so as to give where things were needed. [That sounds just like President Bill "let the rich pay for it" Clinton]

They flashed a news Bulletin at 1:00, honey. Our Super-Forts have just bombed Tokyo again! Isn't that great? They'll really have to pound them in order to soften them up for the Invasion that will come sometime.

Well, Sweetheart, this is ?old? M.E.L.T. signing off for tonite. You will now read her National Anthem --

[Maggie sang to me with written notes all over the page: --]
I love you
I'll be loving you -- Always
Goodnite, My honey --

Here's a great big kiss from me to you! 'Nite -- [Maggie drew her lips]

27 Dec 1944 8:00 P.M. Wednesday Nite

Well, I don't feel too great tonite and I'm just taking it easy, so I thought I'd write you now and then read till I got ready to go to bed.

It's been pretty cold here today and it snowed and "blowed" this afternoon and it's still doing it. They say it will be warmer by morning, and let's hope they're right.

Your folks and the kids have gone up to a Home Bureau supper tonite. They asked me to go, but they were going to square dance and etc. and I knew that I wouldn't feel like it so I said no.

Honey, I moved all the Dining Room furniture into the Living Room and all the Living Room furniture into the Dining Room. I've been cold and had to sit by the stove to get warm every time, and in one of our less comfortable chairs. So -- I moved the more comfortable chairs in by the stove. I've still got to settle it, but it's much warmer all ready.

It's funny, honey, when I don't feel good I can't write good and I'm really scribbling tonite. I don't feel so bad, though, just uncomfortable.

I feel awful mushy tonite, honey. I love you so that it gives me goose pimples and cold shivers when I think about you. (I'm not scared of you, I just love you, as usual.) My other honey, Pooch, [our dog] is laying here on the floor. I measured him last nite, darling, and he's 22" tall. Grampa Ward said if he's 6 months old he has just 1/2 his growth, but I don't think it's possible that he'll be 44 inches tall -- that's from the floor to his backbone. 44 inches is almost 4 ft. tall. If he gets that big he'll take 2 quarts of milk a day, not one. I've got to buy his license right along, now, he's 6 months old I think. Didn't they say he was born June 22? I've also got to find him a collar so he'll look snazzy. Maybe he won't want to wear one, 'cause we didn't have one on while he was a puppy. Honey, he's really getting so he looks exactly like a real German Shepherd. He doesn't look like a mongrel at all! If I can get some film, I'll take some pictures of him and my new coat -- and a few snow drifts, just to make you realize what you're missing.

Leon [Terrell] had Dick [Terrell] drive our car up town this A.M. I'm getting it fixed over Vacation, 'cause I need it so when I'm working that I hate to have it fixed then. I suppose I'll be bankrupt plus when it's all fixed. Leon said about 8 bucks for a new water pump, and the starter has got to be fixed. Maybe it will work, after it's fixed -- anyway! What I mean is -- It better work or I'll go up and tell a couple of garage men exactly what I think of them. They're not too good anymore. If a woman wants a car fixed they just fool around with it and then charge a damned good price for doing nothing. That's why I let Leon talk to them -- they don't try to fool the men so much, 'cause they know the men know about cars. I think by the time I get thru messing with this jalopy I'll know quite a bit about cars -- At least, I'll know all the things that can break and get out of whack on them.

The wind's really howling, honey. It sounds pretty cold out.

Do you realize that it's almost 1945, honey? That's the year all of the fortune-tellers said Hitler would die and the peace would come. [Well, fortune tellers or not, Hitler did die and peace did come to the European War Theater in 1945.] I pray that they're right, 'cause I'd like to not be away from you any longer than <u>necessary</u>! In fact I wouldn't even like to be apart as long as we have been, but I guess we can't do much about it, except hope it isn't too much longer. [Hang in there, honey. I'll be back in a couple years.]

Today is the end of the 2nd month since your furlough started -- (October 27th) and the 2nd day of the 5th month we've been apart. That's almost 1/2 year, honey, and it hasn't gone too slow, has it? I hope the time all goes quickly until you're back with me, 'cause it will seem long enough without the time going slowly.

Well, honey, while I've been talking to you, my tummy's stopped aching. You're just the medicine I needed. I love you, honey, -- So Much! I wish I could write poetry or something to tell you how much, but I guess I'm just not made that way. Goodnite, Dear. Sleep Tight. I love you -- Maggie --

28 Dec 1944 10:20 P.M. Thursday Nite

I understand exactly what you meant, honey, when you said Sundays were hell because they gave you time to think. It's a damned good thing this @#* vacation is about over 'cause I'm about ready for the nut house. All I've done all day is think and I guess I can't take it, 'cause I feel like going to sleep and sleeping 'til you're home again. The radio's got a click on it that sounds like somebody's electric fence running wild and I can't stand it, so all I hear is silence and the stove popping and the <u>be-u-tiful</u> wind howling it's head off. -- And I'm not sleepy but I think I'll go to bed just the same. I don't even feel like crocheting or knitting. I got my mittens finished so I haven't anything to knit. Anyway, I read today and my eyes feel like they're hanging out on my cheeks.

Well, enough bitching. -- I'm not writing to tell you my troubles.

I've been wondering where you're at and where you're going -- Maybe you've been wondering the same thing -- have you? [Maggie meant what Island was I going to in the Pacific War Theater and where am I now in relation to our final destination?] [I missed the Iwo Jima Landings probably because my last name started with "T" when they were filling the previous Drafts. We lost 4,000 Marines taking Iwo Jima from the Japs. I probably would have been killed because I was a B.A.R. (Browning Automatic Rifle) man. The Japs concentrated on the Marine with the most fire power and I had it.] [As to where I was and where was I going, I only knew this much on 28 Dec 1944 when Maggie was writing me: I boarded ship around the 19th or 20th of Dec 1944 with 4,000 other Marines in the 42nd Replacement Draft. We shipped out of Norfolk, Virginia with a large Naval escort all the way to the Panama Canal. The German submarines had torpedoed some of our transport ships in the Atlantic Ocean that were heading for the European War Theater. In fact the ship that we were on, The Florence Nightengale, had been previously badly damaged, broken in two, floated somehow to a dry dock, repaired and put back into service for us. I may have been going through the Panama Canal when Maggie was writing this letter to me, I don't know exactly. As to where we were going, we did not know. We knew that some Marines had gone directly into combat from our training camps. But, because they had taken my B.A.R. away from me before boarding ship and given me back an M-1 rifle, I wasn't sure. We had all the capabilities of making ship to shore landings and they could always give me back my B.A.R. before going into combat. After going through the Panama Canal we were unescorted by any visible Naval ships as far as I could tell, all the way to Pearl Harbor. We were probably escorted, sight unseen, by some of our submarines, I don't know. The Jap's submarines had torpedoed some of our transport ships in the Pacific Ocean going over from the West Coast. Most of the Marines did go over from the West Coast. That is probably why we were going into the Pacific War Theater from a different angle, unescorted, we could sneak in undetected by the Jap submarines. Anyway, I never saw even a sign of another ship all the way to Pearl Harbor. Of course I didn't know we were actually going to a Tent City, Transient Center at Pearl Harbor, but that is where we ended up around 10 Jan 1945. That was where my brother, Bob, who was also a Marine, picked me out of 4,000 other Marines and walked into my tent just as I was sitting down on my helmet.]

Boy, I'm going out and get stewed the day the Japs and Germans call it quits. If I don't I'll blow my top because I'll be so happy. Of course, I don't think anyone else will be happy -- Oh No!

We were snowed in again this morning and so I didn't mail your letter and I haven't got ambition enough (not tonite) to walk over to your folks and ask

Leon to mail it. Just plain lazy! You'll probably get all these letters in a bunch anyway. Gee, what a mess! You'll have to sort them over by dates [I did], or you'll be so mixed up you won't know which letter to start on. If you didn't get mail for 3 weeks, you'd get 21 of them, all at once. You'd really have to read some to be able to read them all. [I read them all, honey, over and over again.]

Honey, I haven't heard anything from you since last Saturday, but I haven't expected to and I don't expect to for the next 2 weeks or so. I know you'll write as soon as you can, 'cause you know I'll be waiting to hear from you.

I feel like I ought to write to Bob [Terrell] tonite. I haven't any 6 cent Air Mail stamps but I guess 2 - 3 cent stamps would do. I haven't got a letter from him yet in answer to my other one, but I thought I'd keep writing just the same. There isn't much he could write about, anyway. I hope you'll still be able to write a little about what you're doing etc. Of course, if you can't, you can just fill you're letters full of love and sweet nothings just for me and the Censor. I hope the Censor isn't a W.R. [Woman Reservist] 'cause if it is, no doubt she'll look you up. I know if I was on the same island as you and I got one of your letters, I'd find you if I had to walk a couple hundred miles (or aren't islands that big?).

Honey, I've been wondering again about what to do next June. I know I can't stay home all the time. I wish the W.A.C.'s [Women's Army Corps I think] didn't have such an awful reputation, I'd join them. They seem to get around more than the other services. The Marines [Women] aren't even sent overseas and I think it's mean! If I do go into something like that, I'll sign up for overseas service 'cause I'd want to get the hell over where something was doing. [Now you know how I felt, Maggie, about passing up the typist job Stateside and getting overseas to help get the damn war over with!] I'd like to take my chances right along with you. One thing I don't like now is sitting here so safe and knowing other guys are out someplace facing hell. I guess I should have been a boy, because I feel like knocking hell out of all of those slant-eyes myself. I get so damned mad, because I can't do anything but live as I have all my life -- Almost 100% safe from danger ("Almost" takes care of slipping on the soap in the shower and breaking my neck.)

I hate to think of leaving here and living someplace else, but I'll be darned if I'll drive back and forth. If I do go work someplace else, I'm going to go farther than Cortland. I don't know why, but I will. The best thing I can even imagine is for the war to be over by June, but I'm positive it's going to take longer than that.

Say, honey, I love you and tonight I'm lonesome as hell, why don't you drop in after I'm asleep. Goodnite, honey I love you

30 Dec 1944 12:35 A.M. Saturday A.M.

Well, I missed the 29th by 35 minutes, so I didn't write you yesterday -- But! I'll be writing 2 letters today. Unless I'm up late tonite, too. Anyway, you'll get a letter for every day, even if they are written early in the morning. [Thank you, dear, and I appreciated every one of them.]

This evening (Friday) I went to the show with your family (except Jean [Terrell], she's staying at Mildred's [LeRoy] tonite). The two features were "Our Hearts were Young and Gay" and "The National Barn Dance". They were both very good pictures and funny! Wow! I laughed till my cheeks ached. Not a word about a war or anything pertaining to it, I really enjoyed them.

It didn't snow here any more today, dear, but they still haven't plowed

us out. They're getting slower and slower as the snow gets deeper. I can't imagine how it will be by March or April. It will probably be terrible.

It cost $13.20 to have the car fixed this time and the mechanic said the starter still didn't satisfy him, that it should be taken all apart. I'm afraid he'll have to wait a while to do it. Out of the next $25 I've got to pay --

Car --	13.20
Rent --	15.00
Dog License --	2.25
	30.45
and maybe Howard Vunk will bring the coal	30.00
	60.45

And you have to have money for between pays, too!

If I could only be a magician. I'd get $60.45 out of $25.00 but I ain't. I'm going to get mad as hell if I have to use that fifty a month that we wanted to save. I was thinking the other day -- I've had $200.00 from the Gov't and you so far, and there isn't a penny of it in the bank. The $40. that's in the bank is left over from our deposits last summer.

Sometimes I wonder what in hell I do with all the money and then I start figuring and I find out.

Say, honey, you know that new brown belt you got last summer? Well, I needed a belt -- Don't just say "uh -uh" and nod your head! And so -- I got it out. I didn't hurt it -- bad, honey. I left it just as long as it was and just drilled one small hole in it with the paring knife so it would hold my overalls up. Am I smart or <u>just like</u> a woman? [Some of both, honey.] Hurry up and come home, honey, or I'll wear it all out before you get another chance at it.

Don't take that "hurry up" serious, honey. I know you're in just as much of a hurry to come home as I am to have you. If they'd only let women have a hand in those Battles, you'd really see Victory accomplished! Yes, sir -- Victory for the Japs and Germans. Really though, honey, if you'd just show me how to work a B.A.R. I'm sure I could manage just fine -- as long as I didn't have to fire it and yet I'd enjoy killing Japs. I know I would. I'd shoot until they looked like my tea strainer -- a little holy. I mean holey or something -- like this:

[Maggie drew me a picture of a Jap full of holes.]

Jap cheese [like Swiss cheese all full of holes]

One right in the middle of the damned slant-eye's forehead! Just like a husband of mine shot woodchucks.

There goes the 1:00 news. They say that Tokyo says there's a convoy headed for the Philippines (a U.S. Convoy). They're speculating on whether it's going to attack Luzon. That's the Island that Chuck Heffron is on [as a Prisoner of War]. I think he's in Camp No. 1 in Manila. I'm probably as far wrong as ever, but it's just about the right period of days for you to be on it. I hope not. Not for a while (A g.d. long while if I had my way, but I realize you're more apt to go right into Combat, as they call it, than not.)

I'm hoping to hear from you about the end of next week. You've been gone 9 days now and after 14 days I can start hoping for a little enlightenment, I think.

Well, honey, here I go. Signing off for another nite. You know I always feel just like I'm talking to you and when I see that I've been writing and not talking it makes me feel funny. You're close to me all the time I write and when I read your letters I always hate to say --

Goodnite --
But I like to say I love you, honey --
Maggie --

31 Dec 1944 12:20 A.M. Sunday Morning

This is the <u>last</u> letter you'll get from me this year, honey. Positively! <u>Unless</u> I write early tonite (Sunday nite) which I probably won't do. Your mother and father, Mildred [LeRoy] & Brayt [Brayton LeRoy] are going to Uncle Bob's [LeRoy] to watch the new year in and unless something different comes up tomorrow Dick, Doug, Jean [all Terrells] and I [also a Terrell, after first a Lear] are going up and stay with Charles, Carol and Martha [LeRoy].

Honey, it was two years ago tomorrow night that you came up home to see me and I told mom and dad you were going to stay 'til 6:00 [A.M.] and they thought I was kidding. But, do you remember what time you got home? [No, I don't] 6:10, I think it was. Remember I got a pillow for you and you laid on the couch and I <u>sat</u> on the edge because I wouldn't <u>think</u> of laying on the davenport! and we listened to the radio. It seems like that was the nite dad paraded out through in his shorts because he thought <u>sure</u> you'd gone home. We were snowbound so we sort of used it for an excuse -- staying home, I mean. I remember you'd drop off to sleep and then you'd wake up and we'd talk and kiss just a <u>few</u> ha ha times and then you'd drop off again. Remember, we'd always wanted to stay up together all nite and it <u>was</u> fun. I hated to have you go even after you'd stayed all nite and we always talked about how nice it would be if we wouldn't have to say "goodnite" or "Goodbye" -- We never said "Get Married", did we? We just sort of talked all the way around it, 'til that nite down at the Look Out Post [Volunteer Spotters for any "enemy" planes that might fly over the United States of America.] when we went out to get the car warm and you had your arm around me and squeezed me and just said "You know I want to marry you, don't you?" and me, instead of being shy or cute -- I just said "Yes" and for that I got one of those kisses that I still go for when I can get them. I'd even <u>go</u> for them when I can't get them. -- I'd go wayout - - about 4,000 miles just for one -- Even just "Hi, Honey" would be worth quite a trip to me. So if you feel in the mood, just let me know and I'll call Superman and have him do another deed for a "Service Man" -- <u>Mine</u> this time!

[Grandchildren: The Look Out Post in Virgil, New York was just one of thousands of spotting stations all over the United States during World War II that were manned by volunteers 24 hours a day, 7 days a week until the Duration. Every airplane that went over or near the area was reported by telephone to a centrally located headquarters. Many charts showing silhouette outlines of German, Japanese and American planes were used to try to identify these airplanes in case any might be enemy airplanes. Although no enemy airplanes were ever spotted, these type of spotting stations helped save thousands of civilian lives during the Blitz bombings of England and other countries by Germany.]

Don't you ever tell me that you're not mine, honey, 'cause I know I couldn't take it. That's all that's keeping me going now, is knowing that you still love me. I know I'll just go on loving you forever, 'cause I can't stop! <u>And</u> I don't want to stop. So you'd better keep sending all your love home, by the reliable mails. I just can't seem to write what I'm thinking tonite -- My co-ordination has gone flooey, I guess. Everything has too many letters or else they're spelled (wront) -> wrong -- see what I mean?

I went sliding with Martha, Carol, Charles [LeRoy] and Jean [Terrell] today, honey. I think my back's going to be a little stiff -- I pushed and pulled too much on the toboggan and sled. I shouldn't have gone, but I feel 100% O.K. so I went anyway.

Honey, I haven't got my Christmas Eve letter from mom's yet, but I'll get it tomorrow and mail it with this one Monday -- or Sunday nite.

Honey, I love you and I'm going to miss you tomorrow and tomorrow nite and New Year's Day. Last year you drank 2 jiggers of Port Wine with Dwayne [Mespell. He and Doris Mespell are still our friends 50 years later.] at the Victory Restaurant. You didn't like it though, did you? [No] I ought to go out and get pickled to the gills tomorrow nite, but I don't like any of the damned stuff enough to be able to drink enough of it to get "dilly" on. If I could get drunk on Milk Shakes I might manage to get slightly tipsy, but Milk Shakes don't affect me that way.

Goodnite, Sweetheart

I had to refill my pen just so I could write "Maggie" for my honey.

Maggie --

I love you, honey, more than anybody. [Ditto, dear!]

1 Jan 1945 3:55 A.M. Monday Morning

Happy New Year!!! [Maggie wrote short hand for Happy New Year just above this.]

Hello, Honey ->[Maggie wrote short hand for Hello, Honey at end of this.]

Happy New Year and all of my best wishes, this year and all of the rest, forever.

We just got home. Us kids really had fun at Aunt Mildred's [LeRoy]. We played Parchesi and ate a slew of stuff and then Greta [Stevens], Dick [Terrell], Doug [Terrell] and I tried dancing. We had fun. I knitted on my new mitten and read a couple stories. It's raining out and if it freezes it will be hell tomorrow morning.

My eyes are getting droopy, but I'm going to write you before I go to bed so help me! I wore my green slacks, and we did exercises and everything on the kitchen floor. Carol [LeRoy] came downstairs about 1:00 A. M. and sat and watched us dance and monkey around till about 2:00 A. M., then she went back to bed. She's so cute, honey. -- A real little pill -- just like I expect Lynne [our planned for future child] to be. -- Always smiling and finding something good in everything. She giggles cute, too. When we were doing exercises and seeing how high we could kick, she giggled till I got so tickled I thought I'd split.

Honey, I love you and I missed you tonite. I thought about all the fun we'd had the past year. -- I didn't think about the moving and fire and stuff like that. [When Mother's and Dad's house burned in Virgil, they moved in with us at the Hoose dairy farm that Maggie and I were renting at the time. Then later on we all, including Maggie and me, moved back into Mother's and Dad's burned out house.] -- Just the fun.

Everyone's saying -- May this year see Victory [in the war with Germany and the war with Japan] and that's what we all hope in our hearts. May our hopes be fulfilled.

I'm sitting here in my coat and kerchief just as I came in. It's not cold in here, but it's plenty chilly. My hands aren't cold so it's not as cold as it usually is.

Honey, I'm going to sign off for now and hit the sack. I'm so sleepy my eyes just won't stay open.

Goodnite, darling

Don't forget I love you

[Maggie wrote all over the rest of the page in short hand and then in English:]

Happy New Year, honey [also in short hand]

I love you [also in short hand] Maggie [also in short hand]

Don, I love you <u>very much</u>. [also in short hand]

I love you [also in Latin and Spanish]

Maggie Terrell and <u>Don Terrell</u> [also in short hand]

P.S. Honey, Howard [Haskins] has pneumonia and he was awfully sick Christmas day, but I think he's better now. I'm sorry, I forgot to tell you. He and Bob Bays are awfully mad at each other.

2 Jan 1945 12:30 A.M. Tuesday Morning

And what a Tuesday Morning! The wind's howling and piling up the snow like mad. We were going to the show tonite (Monday) and then Leon [Terrell] went up to do inventory work [at the gas station in Cortland] and he just got home at 5:00 so we didn't go to the show -- "Winged Victory". The visibility on the roads are zero and it's supposed to get colder later on this morning. Freezing ruts and snow into one icy mess. We're all wondering whether or not there will be school. They announced 6 schools that were closed for tomorrow at 11:00 tonite -- Scott, Manlius, and 4 others. But Virgil wasn't one of them.

Well, honey, here I've been talking about the weather -- But I'm not cold 'cause when I write you I get warm from the inside-out.

Jean's [Terrell] staying with me tonite. I'm getting spoiled again, honey, 'cause when she isn't here I feel lonely as heck, and I'd just got so I <u>thought</u> I was living alone and having to like it.

Say, Don Darling, I love you. I'm getting so I say "I love you" in my sleep, but I always say it to you -- <u>Even</u> in my sleep! I do love you, honey, so much that you probably never will realize how much, even after we're 100 and 101 years old and are celebrating our 83rd <u>Anniversary</u>. [We are getting there, Maggie.] I love you and every time I even hear Marine, Pacific, MacArthur, Japan or Convoy -- my ears flag out just like Walter Bache's. I feel sort of hungry for a little news from you but you probably aren't getting any of your mail, either. It's a hell of a mess when I'm waiting and you're waiting, too. It seems like they could get you guy's mail <u>to</u> you, at least, even if they didn't get yours to us. The worst part of this war, for everybody in general, I guess, is the waiting. We wait for letters, news, furloughs, and all the rest.

Honey, if you haven't before and you're able to write when you get this, write and tell me about whether you got our miniature picture or not. If you don't get it, I'll get another folder and picture and send it after I hear from you.

As I said before -- I love you. I could write that a thousand-million times and mean it twice as much every time. Those 3 words are the only ones that express what I feel for you, dear. Not the only one, but the ones that have the most meaning. Just -- I love you -- but when a person means it as I do, it has more significance than a 1,000 word essay on the topic. It probably sounds silly, but that's what I say, either out loud or mentally,

when I look at your picture. Sometimes I just say "Hello, Honey" but I mean -- (just like I did on the phone) "I love you, always and always the most." And you sit there and sort of grin at me and I can remember exactly how you looked and sat and felt that day we had the pictures taken.

Honey, could you squeeze my 5 x 7 picture in your sea-bag [I sure did, honey.] or did you have to "can" it in favor of an extra pair of shoes or etc.? [I always carried an extra pair of shoes and extra socks in my backpack or my sea-bag. That was a must for us Marines.] That's why I got the small one, so you could always have me with you and so I could always be with you as much as possible. [You were, Maggie.]

Every day I hope you'll be able to see Bob [Terrell] and maybe have some pictures taken (snapshots, I mean). I'd love to have something like that 'cause it makes you closer, somehow. If hoping has anything at all to do with actual events, you and Bob will get to see each other. We've all been hoping and hoping. Bob's going to be as disappointed as you if he doesn't see you. He's been out there [in the Pacific War Theater] almost a year now, honey, and that's quite a while. I hope he -- or most especially you, won't be out there another year. I hope all the boys will be home to celebrate next New Years. That will really be a celebration! The whole United States will act drunk, they'll be so happy.

Well, honey, I'm going to sign off and hit the S-A-C-K -- Sack!
My eyes are tired -- I've been knitting too much and too late.
Happy New Year, darling --- To Both of Us.
I love you -- Maggie

3 Jan 1945 2:17 A.M. Wednesday Morning

Here I am again, writing to you early in the morning. Tonite (Tuesday nite) we were planning on going to a show -- "Winged Victory". Aydee and Whit [Reynolds] called and wanted me to take them up -- somebody had given them tickets so they rode up with us. -- Aydee, Whit [Reynolds], Jean [Terrell], me, Clara, Leon, Dick, and Doug [Terrell] took Mary Mahar. -- 9 in all. They really sat double in the back seat. It was one of those pictures you always enjoyed, honey, only it wasn't so awful that I hated it. It was the more gentle side of war. Only one guy got killed and one got hit but was O.K., and 2 girls had babies (wives of 2 of the leading men). Ver-r-r-y Interesting!

Honey, your little wife just about threw up her heels again this morning. I ate lobster sandwiches and potato salad last nite and about 5 o'clock Tuesday morning I got up and all of it went down the sewer pipe. I drank some water and it came up, then I drank warm soda water so I could either settle it or get the rest up, and the soda water came up all by itself but didn't bring anything else with it. I took my time about getting up 'cause I felt weak after wretching so much. I'm A-1 though now, honey, I guess I recover quick.

They [Mother and Dad] got 2 letters from Bob [Terrell] today and he said he'd got an 8 page letter from you mostly about your furlough. He said he lived through all of it except the nites you spent with "Maggie". He said he thought he ought to let you have them to yourself.

Say, honey, just how much detailed description did you go into about those nites? You'll have Bob in the marrying mood if you do too much describing -- at least if you had as much fun as I did those short 8 nites! I wonder if everyone has as much fun on furlough as we did? Bob also said take care of Maggie for Don and he'll take care of himself! What does he think I am, a helpless scatterbrain??? He may as well get over that idea

'cause I can take just as good care of myself as any woman in the U.S. So there! [Yes, dear. You still can, dear.] Maybe he just means for them [Mother and Dad] to keep the "wolves" away -- but I'm capable of doing that, too, although I haven't met any wolves as yet, and don't expect to. -- And even if I do meet any, they won't be able to interest me, 'cause I've got the only "wolf" I ever wanted, or will want! -- You!

It's clear and cold out tonite, honey. The half moon is shining bright and the snow is beautiful on the hills and slopes. It's piled up about 10 or 12 foot high on the road side up on the top of the big hill. It's not so bad here, but it's quite solid and packed.

I just got through washing out --

3 blouses
3 slips
2 panties
7 pr. stockings

Some wash, eh? Are you still washing clothes, honey? Maybe you guys will appreciate the washings women do after you've done your own for a while. I'll certainly appreciate having all of me kept warm again, even if you don't like my cold feet. Honey, last winter was the first year I've ever been comfortable all night -- every nite!! I've always woke up every winter with my feet hurting 'cause they were cold and I've woke up this winter from my feet hurting, but last year you always kept me warm and comfy. [You're welcome, dear.]

Well, honey, I'm going to B-e-d - bed and see if I can dream about you and I so I'll maybe get a little loving, even if it's only in a dream.

Goodnite, honey, sleep tight and dream of us, too.

All my love and I do mean all.

I love you, you old farmer, you! [I love you too, dear!]

[Don to Maggie]

3 Jan 1945 Somewhere? Somehow?

How is the world treating my honey bun today? If you feel as good as I do you probably feel fine although I don't cherish the idea of being away from you for any length of time. Instead of getting closer to you as I would like very much, it seems that the distance expands hundreds of miles a day.

It is a bit harder to write letters now, honey, since there isn't anything going on and if there were I couldn't tell you. I guess I won't be able to do what Jean [Terrell] asked me to do over the telephone. It was impossible to call you again from elsewhere so I guess I will have to be content with your picture and your letters for -- God only knows how long.

As I said before, honey, I am having a wonderful time and getting fat as a pig and will soon have a good tan again. Just think, honey, while you are sitting around the stove to keep warm, I am laying out under the nice warm sun, filling my lungs with cool, fresh air and reading a "Wild West" book. Every so often we have seats to a fourth of July show at the expense of Uncle Sam.

They have organized a small orchestra consisting of 1 small portable piano; 1 cornet; 1 piano accordion; 1 trombone; 1 clarinet; 2 saxophones; 2-3 bongos, guitars, etc. and a ukulele. Every evening they organize aft and, led

by the Chaplain, play and sing favorite tunes requested by us. They help to pass the time away although sometimes it makes us rather homesick.

We also read the daily news hot off the press. It is called the "Boom News" and it even had the football scores yesterday. Even, like back home, the scores were announced over the public address system before published. Cups of ice cream are distributed 2-3 times a week, also 5 bars of candy. So you can see, honey, your hubby is pretty well taken care of by Uncle Sam.

Every once in a while I get out your old letters and read them over again which for some unknown reason sends me into long spells of daydreaming. I am looking forward to getting your letters when I get someplace, somehow, sometime. Please don't worry about me, honey, because as long as I can keep my "bread belly" full I get along all right.

I don't know when you will get this letter but I will send it by air mail so it hadn't ought to take too long after it is mailed. Keep writing, honey, they will catch up to me sometime.

[Maggie to Don]

4 Jan 1945 1:20 A.M. Thursday Morning

I just took a shower, washed my hair and set it, filed and "lacquered" my fingernails and read a story while the polish was drying. I didn't mean to stay up this late tonite 'cause tomorrow morning I'm going to take Clara [Terrell], Gert [Matson], Grandma Matson and Mom [Lear] up to Lillian Hutchings' for Home Bureau. I'm going to get the kids (Lear kids) dinner -- at least mom's going to leave stuff and I'm going to put it on the table and see that they get to school O.K. The Home Bureau is an all day meeting 10:30 to about 5:00.

Isabel [Hoose] came out this afternoon. She had a 3 weeks vacation from Syracuse U. [University]. She came over here at noon and ate dinner (unexpectedly) with Clara [Terrell] and I. She really came out to visit school and stay at Dickinson's [Charles, wife and family on their old "underground railroad" farm.] tonite, so she rode up to school with me and popped into the office every so often, between visiting teachers.

It's funny how all the kids like to go back to their old school. I certainly never hankered to go back, and here I am, spending half my time there. [working as a secretary for the Principal]

Say, honey, "Parky" [Harold Parks] is being sent home. Medical Discharge. He has Sugar Diabetes. He said they've done all they can for him over there and he's got to get further treatment here in the States. Isn't that heck? Poor Parky always had the bum breaks as far as I could see. He always lost his girl and everything else. Just behind the 8-Ball, maybe.

Eloise [Hoose] hadn't heard from Bob Hoose [her husband] since Dec. 3rd but your mother says Mrs. Hoose [Bob's mother] got a letter from him today -- It's funny though, Isabel [Hoose, Bob's sister] didn't know it. She was worried and I guess Eloise is too. Or was. I'm still not convinced that they heard from him. Your mother gets the wrong dope, sometimes. Sometimes she [Mother] puts 4 + 4 together and gets 8, I mean 12. (I just can't get over what they taught me in 2nd Grade!)

Do you remember all the good times we had on the Hoose farm? [We were at Alvie Hoose's dairy farm that we had rented from him for a few months just a

few months after we were married.] I guess we got along O.K., honey, 'cause all I ever remember are the good times we had. Riding in the trucks [Howard Haskins' trucks that I drove], taking in oats that December day, Eating pancakes and sausage when I should have been at Cortland Line [Company] (and wasn't), Getting the bed all nice and warm and then dropping off to sleep and waking up and being (not 10,000 miles), not even 10,000th of an inch apart, and being able to kiss each other and start the day out right. Maybe that's why we were never grouchy in the morning, honey, we always kissed each other and gave each other a squeeze or two before we got up and that put us in a good humor. Even if the Milk man had to wait! And the cows, too.

Whenever other women are crabbing about their husbands being grouchy mornings I can always say -- "My husband Isn't! So There! He's always sweet and hugable in the morning -- Even if it's 3:30 in the morning! [No more 3:00 A.M. rises for us, honey.] I'll bet there aren't many women that can say that, hon. Talking about mornings, reminds me of how soft and smooth your un-hairy chest was, and brings a question to my mind ----

Have you got any hair on your chest yet -- !!???? Even One??

If you have, you'd better start shaving it off because I don't hanker for a hairy-chested man!!!!

(Of course, honey, if you've got hair on your chest, even just "fuzzy-wuzzy", ha, ha, you can't help it and I'll still love you. I wonder if it would tickle my nose, 'cause that's about where my nose comes.)

Goodnite, sweetheart. Sleep tite -- (Tight)

All these kisses are just for 983241 U.S.M.C.R. [my serial number]

I love you. X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X [That is a lot of kisses, honey.]

Did you get our pictures and my Christmas Card?

R.S.V.P This means in short "Please Reply".

4 Jan 1945

Dearest Pvt. Terrell--983241

Here it is, Thursday again! And as my employer is temporarily in Homer to help Uncle Sam out in the way of fresh recruits, I have practically nothing to do. So I thought that I would rattle off a little something to the husband I like the best (out of the 500 that I have in my harem). Don't you wish you had that many wives? I don't think you better wish that or I'll have Superman just give me a ride out to your place of business and I'll really talk turkey to you!!!!! Just the thought of having a bunch of women around makes me mad -- SAY -- Who started this conversation, you or me? That's Right! I did, so why should I be getting mad about something that I've concocted in my mind?

Well, honey, Dale [Lear] just came up and so I'm going to quit at 3:30 instead of 5:00 and go over home until time to go after mom and Clara [Terrell] at the Home Bureau.

I'll write more tonite.

5 Jan 1945 12:55 A.M. Friday Morning

I wrote to Bob [Terrell] tonite before midnite. I wrote him 4 pages of Air Mail Paper. I enjoy writing to him because I realize how much he likes to get mail. And, of course, I like to get a letter from him, too, and he writes back pretty prompt.

It's snowing lightly here tonite, dear. In the "porch" light the flakes are all silvery and they just sort of float down. They're beautiful, but if enough of them fall we'll soon be snowed in again. The snow is piled high along all the roads, honey, and they (the County men) spend most of their time pushing it back -- getting ready for another snowfall. LaFayette hasn't opened their school, yet and I don't think they're having school tomorrow, so you can imagine how it is between here and Syracuse. We have more snow now than we usually have at the end of the whole winter and we have the worst 3 months (usually worst) to be snowed on yet. I don't know where they'll put all the snow. There just isn't any place to put it in the city [Cortland], and they will really be tied up if much more "frozen humidity" falls from out the Blue -- I mean gray. It isn't too awfully cold out though, and that helps a lot. The snow kind of banks the house, and windows and really sort of insulates a house against the cold.

Say, Don, I thought about you brushing your teeth with shaving cream yesterday and off and on I've thought of it and giggled about it for two days. It wasn't so funny for you,. but I remember you sort of chuckled about it. It was that "short" (damned short) Sunday morning before Train time, wasn't it? It's funny, honey, but I know that even when I'm 80 years old, I'll be able to remember every part of your furlough, maybe not in order, but every part just the same. Remember how you got in a hurry when you heard the train whistle, scrammed out and knocked your dress hat into the mud? You hated to get on it, [the train] but you were scared to death you'd miss it. It will hit me funny every time I see that hat fall into the slush, not because it was your dress hat, I guess, but because I had to find something to laugh about. Didn't we have fun, honey? Seven and 1/2 days and 8 nites of heaven. I never thought I could be that happy, really, way down deep inside of me, as I was all during that time. For that matter -- I didn't think I could ever feel so awful as I did the Monday morning after you left Sunday. I can see now how people can feel so bad that they commit suicide. I could have jumped in a <u>deep</u> river that morning. It just seemed like I ached all over for you. It sounds silly, but my arms ached every time I thought of holding you close. They actually hurt, just wanting you so bad in them, and I felt sick and hopeless down inside. As soon as I started getting your letters though, I felt better. I'll be O.K., honey, though. -- Those feelings go if I get busy and rustle my bustle like you do every day but Sundays. I don't feel like that now. I guess everyone's common sense finally conquers their emotions, at least the depressing ones. We just sort of talk ourselves out of feeling blue and it's a good thing we can. All I do, though, is talk myself into loving you more each day and nite and I'll never be able to talk myself out of it (as if I'd try). I'll always love you more and more, and I hope you'll be feeling the same, 'cause it's a heck of a feeling when the one you love doesn't love you, as I found out about 6 years ago. (I was a Freshman <u>and</u> so was good old Doris.) [I was going with Doris Wavle then and even though I liked Maggie very much, I did not love her as yet like Maggie already loved me.]

I'm enclosing a piece your dad had put in the paper. They got some of the information he gave them all screwed up, but the picture's the real McCoy. If you'll send it back, I'll save it for your scrapbook. O.K.? If you want to keep it, don't send it and I'll see if I can't find another.

I'm going to sign off and read a wee bit, 'cause I'm not sleepy at all. Here I go. --

Goodnite, honey. I love you, [Maggie wrote short hand for Darling] Darling-- X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X

[Maggie then wrote short hand and then English for: Marines, Donald Terrell <u>and Jr.</u>, Maggie Terrell, Lynne Ellen Terrell]

Quite a nice family, don't you think? I know we'll enjoy them.
Honey, I got your allotment today and when I paid you're dad what I owed him, I had exactly $8.00 left out of $50.00.

13.20	garage bill
15.00	January Rent
8.31	Insurance (Car)
5.00	Gas, alcohol [for car radiator]
41.51	Some Total, eh what?

I've got to find out about your insurance that you paid up until December. [life insurance]

6 Jan 1945 12:10 A.M. Saturday Morning

I've got a surprise for you tonite. I'm writing to you in a house <u>almost</u> across the road from Uncle Bob's [LeRoy] house. Whose house?? No --- No --- No!!!! [I give up, honey. Whose house is it?] It's just Hoose's house, you! [Mr. and Mrs. Alvie Hoose] They moved from Summit Ave. and now they live on R.D.#3 Cortland. Isabel [Hoose] called today and asked if I'd like to spend the night with her and I said sure, so here I am. Eloise [Hoose] is staying here tonite and she's writing to Bob [Hoose] over across the room. Eloise, Isabel, Miss Sharpe, Myrtie Ives and I just got back from a show. Your dad and mom and all the kids [Terrells] were there, too. Then we went to the Chocolate Shop and I had one of those Banana splits we love, and now I'm writing to my best boy friend. [Who is he, honey?]

Honey, tomorrow I'm going to the Hospital and see where I have to go and what I have to do to get the free training so I can be a nurse, and be a little help in this mix-up. I don't even like to think of Defense Plants, and if I learn to be a good nurse I'll be a better mother for Lynn and Donnie. [our planned for future children] I promise I <u>won't</u> go into it if there are compulsory nursing periods like 3 years or something like that. I won't get tangled up in something that I can't get out of the minute I hear you're heading for home. I'm going <u>to study</u> every angle of it, honey, and then make up my mind. If I can be of some help to all the boys that need nurses so badly, I'll figure it's the best thing I can do. I think Nurses are far more necessary than Marines [women], WACS or WAVES [women service people]. They have broadcast over the Radio that they've sent 11 Divisions over-seas <u>without</u> any Nurses and that's bad. Nurses are more apt to be in the thick of things, too, and I guess I'm as bad as you are when it comes to wanting to be really in things. You want to consider this proposition, honey, before you turn thumbs down on it. Promise? O.K. Now, don't forget.

I left orders, he he, with Doug [Terrell] to put Pooch [our dog] in the cellar [at their house] so he wouldn't freeze and to look at the fires [in our house] in the morning. I got a big bucket of coal so he'd be sure and put some on the fires. It was starting to blow out home when I left.

Isabel says "Hello" to you. She's writing a letter, too [probably to her brother Bob in the European War Theater who later was killed just as the war was ending].

This house is the second one from Groton Ave. on the left hand side of the road as you go toward South Cortland. It's the big white house with the sun porch on the side and barns out in back. Uncle Bob's [LeRoy] house is kitty corner across the road. -- Here's what I mean --

[Maggie drew a map of the streets, the airport, Uncle Bob's house and Hoose's house and then wrote: "This is where I am." Then Isabel wrote: "I'm here, too."]

[Note to our children and grandchildren and great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren: Uncle Bob's and Aunt Pauline's house and garage are no longer kitty corner across from the former Hoose house now. Uncle Bob's house and garage were moved over to Groton Ave. by the Airport.]

Well, Izzy's [Isabel Hoose] ready for bed and I just can't seem to think of any more to write so I'm going to bed too.

Bob [Hoose] has sent home a lot of souvenirs. A German Flag, bayonet, knives and other German personal equipment -- a helmet and goggles that they presume belonged to a Motorcycle guy, a pack of German cigarettes and a small magazine just packed full of pictures of the "Paper Hanger -- Schickelgruber" Adolph [Hitler] to you.

Goodnite, Honey. Sleep Tight. I love you.

[Don to Maggie]

6 Jan 1945 South Pacific

I just got through with another rough and tumble free-for-all with a couple of my bunkmates which leaves me rather tired out and sore. After fooling around for quite a spell the two of them got me pinned down and tied both feet and hands spread way apart to the bunks. Then they proceeded to do whatever they wished to me without me being able to stop them. We had a lot of fun, got a good sweat up, a good appetite for supper and all of us were left laying around quiet on our sacks, daydreaming about home.

After reading your letters over again for about the fiftieth time I grabbed my pen and writing paper and, lo and behold, here I am writing to my honey. I have already sent one letter to you and one to Dad, Mother and the kids into the censoring room both of which have probably been censored and are ready to mail by now. When I finish this letter to you, honey, I guess I will write a few lines to your folks. There isn't much to write them but maybe they would like to hear from me anyway.

I have devoured more books on this trip across than all I have ever read or ever will read. Just before we left, the Red Cross sent cases and cases of donated books to us and they have been constantly changing hands ever since. Every place you go you see fellows with their faces stuck in a good novel or a group of fellows deeply involved in a fast card game. Everyday, while waiting in the long, slow line for chow, I take a good murder mystery along and waste no time in solving the problem of "Who killed Jack Robin?".

There are several men who fortunately are gifted with the craft of hair cutting. I don't mind telling you, honey, that they are making a good sum of money at it, too. I will confess that I had my "crop" of hair cut "to the bone" again. I think that you will agree with me that it is the best way to have it in this hot climate. Of course, I intend to let it grow out again before returning to the States.

Did you get my last letter to you from Tent Camp? I mean the one with the $5 money order in it from Uncle Bob and Aunt Pauline [LeRoy]? I nearly didn't get to send that letter but I gave it to a "jeep" driver just before shoving off to mail for me. I got a good leather pocket book from F & AM [Mason's] Cortland Lodge with a "Christmas greetings" card. I didn't get a chance to write them a thank you card but will sometime. Say, honey, please write or telephone the Cortland Standard office and give them my latest

overseas address. They never did get it while I was in Tent Camp and all the papers were going to Parris Island before getting to me.

Gosh, honey, I guess it will be four weeks or more from the time you get my last letters until you get these. That is a long time, honey, but I know you won't be too anxious because you know why. Boy, I can't wait until your letters catch up with me later on for I am going to have a swell time reading them all.

How is Pooch [our dog] coming? I'll bet he is practically a full grown dog by now. Has he killed any more chickens? Well, anyway, it shows that he is a smart dog when he fills his belly with fresh chicken instead of dog food. Has Vunk brought the rest of the coal yet? Don't forget what I told you about always keeping a small supply of wood and kindling in the coal shed so it will be dry when you need it.

Your picture keeps telling me that you love me so all I can say is I love you, too!

[Maggie to Don]

7 Jan 1945 12:15 A.M. Sunday Morning

Yes, I'm staying all nite at Izzy's [Isabel Hoose] and I borrowed her paper so I could write you a little.

Maybe you'd like to hear what we've been doing all day. Last nite we came to bed about 1:30. We turned off the light and started talking and we heard Alvie's [Hoose] alarm go off at 5:00 [A.M.] and we were still talking. We talked about the war (just to be different) and the Bible and different Countries. I don't think we talked about people only once or twice -- as gossip, I mean. We dropped off while we were talking, I guess and we got up about 12 or 12:30. We ate dinner and tried to start Eloise's and our car, as they wouldn't start earlier in the morning for Eloise and Alvie. It was so cold they wouldn't start, so we went up the road and across the road to that new "West End Garage" and got them to tow us. Our car started so Isabel and I went downtown to shop. We went up and saw about Cadet Nursing [at the Cortland Hospital] -- and I don't imagine I'll ever get in. You have to have Chemistry, 2 years of Foreign Language (the only requirement I meet) and Algebra, so I'll never join. About 5:30 we went to the "Vic" [restaurant] and had toasted cheese sandwich and a chocolate milk float (Milk Shake with Ice Cream floating on top). [Now called a "Boston Milk Shake".] Then we went to the Temple [theater] and saw "Hi, Beautiful" and "The Leather Burners" which starred Hopalong Cassidy and Gabby Hayes. <u>Then</u> we went to Marion- Margarets [ice cream store] and had a beautiful Banana Split, and started home. We arrived safely and now I'm in bed writing. We're going to Church in the morning. And we <u>think</u> to the show "Frenchmen's Creek" (a <u>very</u> good picture) tomorrow afternoon. And by tomorrow nite I'll be home in our bed writing you. I think I'll have got my blood rid of all riotous notions by tomorrow nite, and I'll be able to settle into the old routine without a squawk.

Well, hon, I'm going to sign off. --

By the way, Izzy and I are going to write Lawrence Lash a letter tonite. We saw his mother downtown and she said he wasn't getting much mail so we're going to cheer him up a bit -- I think! If I don't go to sleep first.

Goodnite -- I love you --

[Don to Maggie]

7 Jan 1945 South Pacific

Well, here I am writing another letter but I have no idea what to say. How about talking about the weather, Huh? It is a warm day with the sun shining brightly through a clear sky. A light cool breeze goes by every so often, just enough to keep the sun's rays from getting too hot. Back home it is snowing lightly and the sun is fighting desperately to pierce it's way through a few low hanging clouds. There isn't any wind but the air is brisk and cuts into your lungs like ginger ale.

Now that you have heard the latest weather broadcast let's talk about you for awhile. Have you gotten stuck in the snow yet? How is the old car running, has it frozen up any yet? Oh yes, I forgot, honey, we were going to talk about you weren't we? Well, how are you? Yes, I know you are feeling fine but how are you getting along with your secretarial work? I always thought I was a better typist than you but I didn't want to hurt my little lamb's feelings by telling you so.

Say, young lady, you had better have those curtains hung by now instead of fooling around knitting mittens. What do you think I am paying you for anyway? Have you finished the mittens?

When the gong rings it will be exactly 1330 -- Gong! Turn on the radio so we can hear the latest news, honey. Did you say you bought a new radio or had the old one fixed? How about driving down to Timer's [Davis] and getting a couple quarts of ice cream and a couple bottles of ginger ale and we'll make some sodas? What do you mean, you aren't hungry? We haven't eaten for 30 whole minutes -- I'm starved! You know, honey, I never did tell you that I took out a life insurance policy secretly just before I married you, did I? Why? Gosh, gal, do you expect me to put my life in your hands by eating your cooking without life insurance?

If I write much more of this chatterbox talk I'm afraid the censors will be on my neck for inhuman cruelty to dumb animals. Just yesterday they hung a poor fellow at sunset just because he wrote his girl that he loved her and told her a few more things. So you see that I am taking my own life into my hands just to tell you I love you and that you are the best doggone wife this side of Mars.

Don't forget to bank the fire before hitting the sack.

[Maggie to Don]

8 Jan 1945 2:10 A.M. Monday Morning

How's my little lamb pie tonite? I'm going to stay over here with Jean [Terrell], tonite.

I went to Church this morning with Isabel and Mrs. Hoose and then this afternoon we saw "Frenchman's Creek". It was good, honey. In fact, it was so good I almost died because you weren't there. -- Especially to give me a little loving after the show. Boy! What a picture it was.

I'm sending 3 pieces of Dentyne [gum] in this envelope. I hope you get them O.K. They're good 'cause I've had one of them.

It was nice and clear out this afternoon but quite cold. I hope it warms up some tomorrow.

Hayden [Olmstead] fell about 10' out of the silo the other day and hurt his back. He's in bed and his back is swelled up. He can't urinate very much and his bowels don't move at all. Dr. Munson had Dr. Ryan called in because he thought X-Rays should be taken. Ryan says no broken ribs but he's not sure whether his back is movable to the Hospital or not with the road as bumpy and slippery as it is. They're going to leave him where he's at for about 3 days and see what happens. [Before Maggie and I were married, Hayden fell out of the silo and broke his wrist and couldn't milk his cows so I went over and helped him with his chores until he was better. That made two times that I know of that Hayden fell out of his silo. Grandchildren, Grandpa climbed <u>many</u> silos, <u>many</u> times when I worked on farms while I was growing up and luckily didn't fall once. But I was younger then and Hayden was <u>older</u> then. No, Grandchildren, Grandpa is not going to climb any silos now at 68 years old.]

Vernon Bell, I guess you know him (I don't) is Missing in Action over Germany and Carol [Olmstead} had a letter written in pencil from Warren [Nelson Warren who she later married] and he's O.K. She called Wilna [Olmstead, her mother] and told her about it this morning -- She got the letter last nite.

Honey, I love you. I hope I get a letter from you tomorrow, but I'm not <u>counting</u> on it. Probably you'd like to send a letter tomorrow, too and maybe you can't yet. [I was still aboard ship heading overseas.]

That Tarpley [Maggie and I do not remember who he was.] fellow is expecting to go. He's all packed etc. His wife is with him or else just come back from being with him.

I'm going to sign off, honey and go to bed. I'm awfully sleepy, and my head aches something wicked.

Goodnite, Dear Sleep Tite and dream of me -- I love you with all of me -

8 Jan 1945 11:15 P.M. Monday Evening

I still haven't heard from you, dear, but for once in my life, I can really say I'm being patient (there isn't any use being otherwise.) I'm just waiting and hoping, every day, that I'll hear from you. I feel that you're O.K. and not especially in great danger -- But often feelings are far from right. Darling, I'm praying that you're not going right into the thick of it, but I realize you're more apt to, than not to.

I hope you're getting my letters, even though I'm not getting yours. I'm wondering if you got our pictures and my Christmas card -- I hope so, honey, 'cause our pictures are good. I tried to get film for my small camera the other day and the fellow said they hadn't had film for 2 months and they didn't expect <u>any</u> more. I suppose it will not be here, -- but in the War fronts, taking reconnaissance pictures to save our men's lives, and win the War quicker.

The Creek by the Town Garage (by Orrin Pond's) has overflowed and frozen, and Doug and Dick [Terrell] went skating tonite. I wanted to go but I didn't have the ambition. I may go tomorrow sometime, though, if it doesn't thaw and spoil it.

They [Mother and Dad] got 2 letters from Bob [my brother] today, and Dick got one for himself -- so altogether they got 3 from him today.

I haven't told you how much I love you. "Cause I really do love you,

honey, and I miss you all the time. I'll feel much better when I get a letter from you and you tell me you love me. It's just like kissing you -- I can feel that you really love me.

Robert Hoose sent home a little magazine titled "London Humor". It had a cartoon in it -- a woman in a Maternity Ward was holding a very black baby. It shows the Nurse turning and saying to the Dr. -- "She blames it on the Blackout". Of course, anyway you take it, it's good for a little laugh, but taking it at it's worst is funniest. After all, How could she know what color it's pappy was, if it was very, very black in the black-out?

I'm going to knit a little I guess, dear, and then climb into bed and catch myself a snooze. So Goodnite, dear, and don't worry about me not getting any mail, as long as you're getting yours. I'll be O.K. as long as I realize why I'm not getting letters. It's O.K., honey, we'll make up for all this with a little tacked on for a special celebration the minute that 6 months is up. [Maggie means "Duration of War plus 6 months". Actually I was in longer than that.]

Goodnite, Honey --- I love you!

10 Jan 1945 12:05 A.M. Wednesday Morning

It's getting colder and colder here tonite, and it's supposed to be colder yet tomorrow.

I stayed at mom's after school and went over to school to a movie "Gunga Din". Then I heard that Evalyn [McGuiness] and Ned [Hayes] were looking for me, so I tore right out to see what they wanted. They wanted to go up town and watch them bowl so I went. We came home early and as Wayne [Lear] had to take Chub Dalley home, I stopped at mom's and rode home with Wayne. The house was quite chilly but I'm warm. I'm sitting here in your chair by the fire, with my feet up on the coal scuttle because it's quite cold on the floor.

Tonite is one of my bad nights -- I can't think of anything to tell you. -- I didn't get a letter, and they [Mother and Dad] didn't hear from Bob today. And of course I love you. You're still my one and only, and always will be. But that's about all I can think of right now. I'm hoping to get maybe a card tomorrow. I'm going to knit on my mitten just a minute and then hit the sack. I'm quite tired, I've only had about 6 hrs. sleep (apiece) the last 2 nites.

Honey, just keep on loving me, won't you? I'm loving you -- Always!

We'll really have fun -- us and our off-spring, after this blasted thing's over. We'll all be together and happy!! Yeah man!

Goodnite, dearest -- Sleep tight and Hug me tight in Our Dreams!

All my Love --

10 Jan 1945 11:55 P.M. Wednesday Nite

It's been very cold here today, but it hasn't blown or snowed, Thank God! If it had we'd have frozen for sure. The lowest temperature was supposed to have been in Canton, N.Y. (lowest of New York State) 16 degrees below zero. -- But -- Howard [Haskins] claims it was 20 degrees below here when he started out on his milk route, and I believe him 'cause it certainly was cold!

Don, Reports have been on the radio about the American Landing on Luzon. I heard one reporter say there were 3 Marine Detachments aboard his ship. Were you one of the Marines that participated in that landing? Honey, I just think that you're there because just about enough time has passed for you to be there. You'll probably think I'm silly, telling you this, but Charles

(Chuck) Heffron is at Manila in Camp No. 1 -- or at least, he has been. I don't think they'll let those Prisoners of War be freed. I think they'll kill them rather than have them freed. If you're there, and have a chance, see if you can find him. If you're on Luzon, honey, please just write and say "I'm looking for Chuck Heffron". If you don't want me to tell even <u>one person</u> (including your folks and mine) add "alone". If you want me to tell your folks say "with another bunch". O.K.?

I haven't heard from you yet, but maybe I will within a week, I hope so, anyway. It will seem good to talk to you again, honey. It's been 3 weeks next Saturday since I heard from you. We got letters the other day from Bob [Terrell] dated Dec. 28 and 30 and he hadn't seen you yet, so I know you spent Christmas without him. I was sorry that you couldn't be together on Christmas Day. Maybe, though, you got tight together on New Years! [Why, honey, you know Bob and I don't drink.] Who knows? I hope you get to see Bob, anyway, honey. [Grandchildren. By coincidence, while Grandma was writing this letter to me, my brother Bob had spotted me out of 4,000 other Marines coming into Tent City, a Transient Center next to Pearl Harbor on the Island of Oahu. So Bob and I <u>did</u> get to see each other for a few days before Bob was sent out again heading towards other Pacific War Theater islands and finally Japan.] I just hope he doesn't try to give you all the advice he's been saving up for a year!! I'll bet you still don't hanker to have someone tell you what to do and how to do it! [Bob was my <u>older</u> brother.] I'm afraid that before this damned war is over, you'll be able to give Bob more advice about taking care of himself than he'd be able to find out for himself -- ever! These guys that think they know all about the war burn me up! Always shooting off about taking care of somebody, or something. Someday after the war I'll tell them what I think of their "fatherly" advice. I can still take care of myself and I don't like Bob thinking that I can't. You'd think I was only about 10 and didn't know nuts from bolts and I'll bet I could tell him a thing or two! He must think I just couldn't get along without your father and mother and he's crazy! [Now, now, honey, don't go getting your dander up. My brother, Bob, loved you very much and only wanted Mother and Dad to look after you while I was gone.] I've been scorching inside for a while because everyone thinks I'm a poor little helpless thing. I'm afraid I'll show them yet! If things don't change as far as the war goes by next June and July, I'm going to change a few things for myself.

Enough of that bitching! I shouldn't say those things anyway, and I haven't to anyone before and I won't again. [It is too late, honey, you already did. And I just put it into the computer and on paper for <u>all</u> to see 50 years after you wrote it to me. Now, aren't you ashamed of yourself, honey? However, you <u>did</u> prove to <u>all</u> of us that you <u>could</u> take care of yourself and I love you all the more for that!!!]

Say, Donald Terrell, do you love me? [Yes, dear.] You'd better and you'd better tell your darned old C.O. [Commanding Officer] to let you write just a line or two to me just so I'll know you love me. [Yes, dear.] I'll still be loving you, honey, even if I don't hear from you in two months! Don, have you heard the song "Make-Believe"? It's quite popular and I learned the words because they say just the things I'd like to, to you. I'm going to write them -- below! -- you don't have to read them, but see if they aren't pretty accurate.

I'm making-believe that you're in my arms,
Though I know you're so far away --
Making Believe I'm talking to you --
Wish you could hear what I say!
And here in the gloom,
Of <u>our</u> lonely room,
We're dancing like we used to do,
Making-Believe is just another way of dreaming,
So till my dreams come true,
I'll whisper "Goodnite", turn out the light,
And kiss my Pillow --
Making-Believe it's <u>you!</u>

Don't those words hit the right idea, honey? At least, they do <u>completely</u> for me!

Goodnite, Sweetheart
Be Good!! [I did. I was. <u>And</u> I still will!]
I love you [I love you too, Margaret Ellen Lear Terrell!!!!!!!!!]

[Don to Maggie]

10 Jan 1945

Have met Bob [Terrell, my older brother, who was also in the Marines] and am having a wonderful time. I was very happy to meet him and he was the same. Am feeling good and am looking out for good old Alma Mater. Hope you are getting along okay, honey.

Have got to hurry now as the lights are going out in a few minutes. Bob and I are going to celebrate and have some pictures taken of us. Hope to stay here a while with him. Address is on envelope. Will write a good letter tomorrow. Bob wants to write a few lines to you.

Hi Maggie -- Don is here with me and we are both pretty happy kids. We'll have some good pictures taken for all of you. Don't worry -- he is safe, feeling fine, and I'll look out for him while we are together. Be good, honey!

[Note: Bob was temporarily stationed at Transient Center, next to Pearl Harbor, on the island of Oahu, when he heard that we were coming over. Bob was able to pick me out of 4,000 other Marines as we came into Transient Center from a 21 day boat trip over from the east coast.]

11 Jan 1945

Didn't have much time to write you last night. Went to the show and going again tonight. Sure was glad to be able to meet Bob [Terrell] and we are going to make the best of our time together.

It is warm as heck here during the day and really cold at night. Have a slight cold but getting over it. Am sorry I could not phone you from farther on but you understand.

Bob and I wrote a letter together to Mother and Dad but they will get

theirs before you get this. Aren't arranged enough yet to take my mail. Am looking forward to getting your letters soon. Will write more later, honey. I love you!

[Maggie to Don]

12 Jan 1945 12:40 A.M. Friday Morning

My appointment with your Dr. Howard [my dentist] is for 10:00 this morning and I can't seem to get scared. Maybe I'm growing up or else it's been so long since I've been to the Dentist's that I've forgotten how it hurts. Another thing, Honey! Guess What? On the 'way back end of the right hand side of my lower jaw. -- A Wisdom tooth is just breaking surface. Boy, do I feel aged and Wise!! Imagine -- A <u>Wisdom</u> Tooth! After all these years!

I didn't hear from you today, honey and I've began to worry a little, but I'll be O.K. -- I mean I won't worry myself sick! Not for a day or two anyway.

Tonite Dick [Terrell] went to C.A.P. [The Civil Air Patrol was established in 1941 in the office of Civilian Defense. It organized and directed the activities of volunteer civilian cadets from 13 to 21 years old through workshops and training sessions some of which were held at high schools. It also organized and directed the activities of adult volunteer civilian airmen using their own aircraft and equipment for wartime tasks. The C.A.P. was transferred to the War Department in 1943 as an auxiliary of the Army Air Forces. In 1946, Congress chartered it as a nonprofit private corporation. The C.A.P. became a civilian auxiliary of the U. S. Air Force in 1948.] Clara and Leon [Terrell] took him. Jean [Terrell] went to Choir practice so Doug [Terrell] and I went skating and am I going to be stiff tomorrow! I didn't fall down once, but my legs are pretty tired . I feel so old, honey, that I'm ashamed of myself. I'm going to go skating etc. more often. I'll be damned if I'm going to be a softie just because I'm over sixteen. [Yes, dear. You were all of 19 1/2 years old <u>way</u> back then. How come you and I are <u>still</u> riding bikes 4 miles nearly every day at 68 years?]

I have one of my mittens done except for the thumb. Ain't that something? It won't take me long to get the other one finished you can bet! If you were in Germany where it's cold I'd send you some mittens so you wouldn't freeze.

It's warmed up a little here. It's only about 12 degrees above tonite but that's warm compared with what it has been. It was pretty here today. If the snow hadn't been on the ground it would have been exactly like summer -- Blue Skies and a bright sun and white fleecy clouds.

Darling, do you still love me tonite? If you were here I'd really cuddle tonite. Honey, when I think of all the years we have yet to be able to be together -- eat and have fun and sleep together I feel good all over! [How about 50 years and holding?] I know we can stand depressions, Doctor bills for kids and everything if we're just with each other. It's this being apart that makes everything seem so difficult. People like your Mother and Father -- and mine have had tough going at times but they've always had each other -- Never been apart for more than 3 weeks at a time. They realize (almost) what it means to both of us to be so far apart. Do you know that it's been 5 months the 25th of this month since you went? It would have seemed a long

time if we'd been together and it has been apart, but some how it hasn't had any meaning. I look back on it and it's just a blank space (except for your furlough) with me just existing, not really living. I pray it won't be very much longer but no one knows, for sure. Things look good today, but tomorrow we're apt to get slapped back again. [on the war fronts] It seems like I just hold my breath in between "News-casts" because I'm afraid the tide will shift again and keep hoping that things will keep going our way.

Harold Vunk said he'd bring the coal either this Friday or Saturday for sure. If he doesn't, I'm going to get very, very mad because I'm down to the floor boards in the coal-shed. This cold weather has played hell with everyone's coal supply.

Bobby Snyder was in school today. He's a Sailor now and he's a cute looking Sailor, too. He just finished 10 weeks training at Sampson Naval Base. Kenneth Ticknor [Maggie's old boy friend] is at Camp Meade, waiting for orders to ship out. He fires Mortars and he's going over after about 4 months training, too. (Aug. - Dec.) It just goes to show that with good material the head gazinks can really produce good soldiers and Marines in <u>just</u> 4 months! Look at Tic and you for excellent examples of this statement.!

Well, honey, I've got to get up early so I'm going in our bed and hit the sack. It's now 0012 C.W.T [12:12 A.M. Central War Time] and 0112 E.W.T. [1:12 A.M. Eastern War Time Maggie's time] 2312 Mountain W.T. [11:12 P.M. Mountain War Time] and 2212 [10:12 P.M.] Pacific War Time. [Hey! How about what time it is where your husband is? That is if you knew where he was.] <u>So</u>, I'm going to "turn in" and see if the sandman will serve me up a few dreams about my honey and me. Goodnite, dear -- I love you --- With all My Love

12 Jan 1945 11:40 P.M. Friday Night

This is just a letter from a Brave Marine's <u>Brave</u> wife. At least, Dr. Howard seems to think she's brave. Two fillings and never a squawk!! They didn't hurt much at all, though, honey, or he'd have known what I meant when I told him I was a sissy. I had the big cavity between my front tooth and the side one filled and the one <u>between</u> my front teeth where a filling just came out. It cost $6 for 2 fillings, because they're front ones, I guess. He said if he were me, he'd let that bad back tooth go, as long as it didn't pain me, and fill the cavities in teeth that were better. So I made an appointment for February 2, at 10 A.M. He's a good dentist, honey. I think he's more gentle than others I've gone to. I was thinking today how many Dentists I've gone to. Dr. Ensign at Dryden, Dr. McKean, Dr. Gilfoyle and Dr. Howard. Some bunch, huh?!! I feel brave and fine tonite! I didn't get scared as much as I usually do, this morning, either. I don't even feel afraid about February 2. Maybe I've got more guts than I give myself credit for. I hope so, anyway.

I went up with Leon [Terrell] this morning and we got stuck over here on the flat and Leon and John Matson put the chains on in the snow. It was so bad that I called Prof. [Hagadorn] about 11:00 A.M. and they were just closing school. So I went to the show and tried to help Leon a little by pumping gas. Your mother has a very peculiar idea about my pumping gas. She said to Leon "You won't have any customers left, letting a woman pump gas." Wasn't that encouraging? It makes me feel like wearing my slacks and going up and help <u>all</u> day tomorrow!! Ain't I a stinker?

I wish I could hear from you, dear. Probably by the time you read this I'll be getting mail all right, so don't worry.

I'm going to clean tomorrow. Thoroughly! And Good --

Wayne [Lear] just stopped and we've been talking. He just took Emma Lou [Mespell] home from a Game [basketball] and a Mixer [dancing].

Honey, when you come home let's go to Games and Mixers and keep having fun with the kids. We didn't go to them at all last year. What do you say?

Mary Leah Saltsman is engaged to a Tully [New York] Farmer, Robert Haynes -- the same guy she's been going with all the time [and later married].

It's not too much colder out, dear. It isn't blowing or snowing and that's something! I hope it's nice for a while. We have just one Snow Day left [at school] -- Then we start losing days on Easter Vacation. Ain't that hell?

I got an American Magazine today with a story of some of the screwy things the Japs do right in shooting distance of our Marines. Dancing, parading and everything until they're shot down.

They're really raising hell in the South Pacific now, honey. Maybe you know more about it than I do, but I'll tell you just in case you don't.

Mrs. Shenfeld got a letter from her husband in France today. About 8 pages long. -- He only writes once a week. I think I'd rather get a page or two every couple days instead. Remember that if you're in doubt.

Honey, I'm going to look at the American for a few minutes and then hit the sack. O.K.?

So Goodnite, Honey. [Maggie wrote: "I" in shorthand. "love" in shorthand. "you" in short hand. Then shorthand for "I love you" and then said "in other words":] I love you! With All My Love And then some ---

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[Don to Maggie]

12 Jan 1945

Bob and I went to the show again last night. It was a fairly good technicolor Arabian drama called "Kismet". I had him going for an hour or so before that by showing him a few of the card tricks I picked up. He showed me a lot of souvenirs and pictures he has collected. We are going to gather all we can and make a scrapbook after the war.

Some of our mail came in last night and we went down and got it. I had 14 letters so far, the latest letter from you was dated Dec 30. Thanks a lot, honey, for writing me every day and also for the nice Christmas card. The pictures haven't come yet but I expect them in a few days. Don't forget to send your letters airmail, honey. It will cost a little more but it will be worth it for you and me both. (6 cents overseas)

They are filling out pay forms now so we are expecting to get paid tomorrow or the next day. Don't worry about my war bonds because it is apt to be a couple months yet before they come. You see they didn't start taking out until Oct. and it takes 3 months for a bond.

Just as soon as we are out of quarantine and I get liberty, Bob and I are going out and get pictures taken and see the sights. We will order seven pictures, one for each one of the family and Bob and us. I can't tell you how happy and lucky we are to be able to meet and see each other for a while.

I was sorry to hear about Toby [George and Daisy Lear's dog] getting run over. The guy that did it without stopping ought to get a good going over. He [Toby] was getting old though so maybe it was better for him. Glad to hear about Lester M. [McHerron] and Ted H. [Harris]. We, Cortland County, have been fairly lucky so far but Bob Lockey was quite a blow to both Bob T. [Terrell] and me. Keep the home fires burning, darling.

[Maggie to Don]

14 Jan 1945 12:55 A.M. Sunday Morning

Well, how are you this fine Sunday Morning? I wish you were here and we could sleep late this morning -- eat waffles, sausages, maple syrup, coffee, tea for me and just read funnies 'till about 3 or 4 P.M. Then get in the car and visit someplace for awhile, or maybe go walking, swimming or skating. Come home and eat and then go to the show tonite about 8:00. Could we afford to get a couple banana splits at Marion-Margarets? Gee, that's good. I'd like one -- maybe two. I'll bet you could eat 4 of them, couldn't you?

Honey, today your wife rode Joe (the big pony) to the store and back. I only galloped him twice. The stirrups were too low and I didn't feel comfortable at all. I can see why cowboys would be bowlegged. My knees feel like they both point out, not straight ahead.

I got out my Marine application blanks etc. tonite and I think that's what I want to do. I can't till next July and if something different happens before then, I won't enlist. If you're still away and things are much the same as now, I'll be able to enlist without many hold-backs. What fun we'll have, honey, as soon as you come home! It will be like getting married a 3rd time!

Until then, honey, here's all my love for you to keep. In fact you can keep it <u>always</u>! Not just for the Duration plus 6 months.

Goodnite, honey
I love you

[Don to Maggie]

14 Jan 1945

Another day and the world's still going around. One more day and I still love you. The end of another day and the beginning of another letter. Here's hoping these days go by with great speed until we can be together again.

I finally got my other decayed tooth out, honey, but I had to spill a big yarn to do it. Bob and I gave them a big story -- that it was nearly killing me with pain, bothered my training and that I was shoving off any day. Of course, none of this was true but it served the purpose and I got an emergency operation which left me minus one tooth.

Bob and I attended church this morning which was very good. Services were held in the outdoor theater accompanied by a Marine orchestra and choir. We are planning on seeing the picture "Dragon Seed" this evening and going on liberty tomorrow from 0900 to 1800. We are supposed to get liberty every fourth day -- 25% getting liberty every day.

[Maggie to Don]

15 Jan 1945 12:35 A.M. Monday Morning

I just got back from the show "Hollywood Canteen". I went with Wayne [Lear] (1), Emma Lou [Mespell] (2), Chubby [Rolland] Dalley (3), Tyke [Raymond] Dalley (4) , Dorothy Spaulding (5). Dale Lear (6), Roger Lear (7), Mom [Daisy Lear] (8) and I'm number 9. All in Dad's [George Lear's] Chevy. We really made a car full. It was a darn good picture -- maybe you've seen it already.

Well, honey, I've done as you said to in that letter you wrote 4 weeks ago tomorrow. I've kept writing to you, even though I haven't heard from you, and I'll keep right on writing -- just hoping that you'll get them so you won't be quite so lonesome. But I keep hoping, every time I see the mailman, that he will bring me a letter from you. Not necessarily with your new address, but just a letter; something from you to me, bringing me your love, as my letters take you all of my love. It will be 4 weeks tomorrow since you wrote and four weeks Wednesday since you left New River [Camp Lejeune, North Carolina], so it's been time enough so I should hear from you, if they let you write. Maybe tomorrow will bring me a letter or a postcard. I hope so anyway. To get a letter after this long will be better than Christmas. I'll probably be so excited that I'll go around in a screw-loose daze for about a week. Your letters always have made me happier than anything else. It's just like talking to you, to read your swell letters and I always feel just like I'd touched you, or kissed you. Of course, it isn't <u>quite</u> as good as the real McCoy, but since kisses can't be sent Air Mail, a letter's really the nicest thing that can happen.

Honey, Pooch [our dog] has grown so. His teeth are beautiful! Long, pointed and pearl-white. I wish I had them. I'd bite you, sure as heck! He doesn't bark much but has a good loud, ferocious-sounding bark when he thinks it's necessary. He loves to run with the ponies when the boy's [Dick and Doug Terrell] are riding them. He [Pooch], Tig and Gyp [Terrell's dogs] really follow them. Up to Virgil [village about 1 mile away], mostly. That's about the only time Pooch is gone is when he follows them. The rest of the time he just runs and plays right around here. He'll love you when you come home, and you'll enjoy him. He minds better than most dogs, and he can tell whether you like what he's doing or not by the way your voice sounds when you speak to him. Just to show you how smart he is -- when he was small I never let him jump up on me when he was glad to see me and if he did, I slapped his nose until he got down and acted like a nice doggie. Dick and Doug [Terrell], though, slapped their chests when they wanted him to jump up. Well -- now he jumps on them if they just look at him, but he won't jump on me at all. He just shows he's happy by wagging his tail and wiggling. He'll jump on you, too, because he'll know you won't care. If you cuff him a few times (if you don't want him to), though, he'll stay down. He really has an appetite. He eats everything in sight and then some.

It isn't very cold here tonite, honey, about 15 degrees, I guess. It's not blowing or snowing so it seems really warm.

Honey, I'm sleepy. I guess I'll hit the sack. So Goodnite.

Say, Donegie, I love you. In fact -- I love you a lot!! A lot more than I do anyone else. A lot more than I could ever love anyone else. Of

course, I'll love Lynne and Donald Jr. [our planned for future children] because they'll be part of you, but I'll love them different. I'll love them as a mother should, not as a wife.

Goodnite, dear. Dream of us ---- All my Love Maggie ---

15 Jan 1945 11:00 P.M. Monday Nite

I'm up home and I'm going to stay tonite. I'm going down in the morning and fix my fires.

I went up to Aydee's [Reynolds] tonite and traded skates with her. My skates are white and hers are black but I figure if I get a pair that fit me I don't care what color they are. You see, her feet are wider than they were when she bought her skates and my skates are so much bigger than hers that they fit her perfectly. Hers are small enough so they really fit me. I think I'll skate much better now. I'm going to try them first chance I get. I'll probably fall on my behind about the first thing.

This cartoon is just a prophecy for what's in store for us in the future. And don't ask me to open the door!!

It's snowing quite hard tonite, but it isn't too cold out. Mom and I washed and finished just before noon. Then I went to work and I do mean work! Prof. [Hagadorn] tells everyone but me that I'm <u>very</u> Efficient. Isn't that swell? Maybe I'll be a much better secretary when you come back than when you left. Won't that be nice?

Say, honey, if I don't hear from you tomorrow I'm going to call in the F.B.I. on the case of "The Missing Husband", and as an added attraction also "The Case of the Stray Letter". Maybe then I'd get a couple of nice, loving letters. 'Spose so?

Well, I'm going to sign off and go up and sleep for a while.

'Nite, honey -- Pleasant Dreams -- All my love

[Don to Maggie]

16 Jan 1945

Well, honey, I let a day and a half slip by without finishing this letter but I know that you won't care as long as I can make the best of my time with Bob. Yesterday we had 3 poses taken and the proofs won't be ready until Thursday. After we pick out the best proof and order about 20 of them, we won't get them until another week after that. We did have 3 pictures taken together that were finished while you wait. They only cost $2.75 for 3 which we had taken just for the heck of it. Bob is sending them right home. One for Mother and Dad, one for you and me and one for whoever wants it.

I got your six or seven letters last night and night before. Last one dated Jan 8 with Dentyne gum in it. Thanks a lot, honey, I haven't had any gum for over a month and still can't get any. You only need 6 cent airmail stamps, honey, not 15 cents. Ha Ha.

16 Jan 1945

Pvt. Donald L. Terrell 983241
Replacement Battalion USMCR
Transient Center F.M.F. Pacific
c/o F.P.O., San Francisco, CA

I don't think you married such a bad looking egg after all, honey, according to the picture I got of you and me together yesterday. Of course, I can't compete with that beautiful wife of mine but even then I would have three strikes on me before I started. It really turned out good, honey, not a bad looking couple after all, if I do say so myself.

Say, honey, how about putting some of the natural skills of yours to work and baking me a big batch of your delicious chocolate-chip cookies? Mix in a few kisses, plenty of love, a couple hugs and I'm sure your honorable husband would appreciate your efforts greatly.

If the censor disapproves of our mushing, honey, I am sure that he will have a hard time making me change my tactics.

There isn't much to say except that I love you, so don't get your dander up if my little woman doesn't get a letter every day. I think of you every day anyway.

We saw the picture "Frenchman's Creek" last night. I agree with you, it was a very sexy picture. Makes a fellow kind of day dream about his little gal back home.

My address has changed slightly, honey. It is on the envelope. I have not moved but just a few tents up further. I still see Bob every evening and we go to the show or play games down at the Red Cross Club.

Yes, honey, there are 4 women who are at the Red Cross but they are not nearly as good looking or impressive as my dear wife. Please, honey, don't get any ideas about joining any service organization. You know their reputation and I don't want my wife exposed to the poisonous bites of mankind. Ha Ha

You can find a job of reasonably good pay close by to last during summer vacation. Don't go staying in a big city, honey, because it isn't worth it and I know you will have more fun right at home at a small job.

[Maggie to Don]

17 Jan 1945 12:15 A.M. Wednesday morning

Here I am back down home again. It's a hell of a night out. 6" of snow has fallen since Monday night about 8:00 P.M. and it's starting to blow -- But hard! We won't have any school tomorrow, I know. I got stuck here in Thiesen Hollow road tonite. I tried to turn in but the Plymouth kept right on going towards your dad's house so I got off the road a wee bit and did I get stuck! So -- I took my little coal shovel and dug a little 'fore and 'aft and rocked the car a little 'fore and 'aft and then gunned it -- forward, and now the car is in our front yard where I've kept it. I'll bet I don't get back out, though. Your dad just got back from bowling, but he didn't get stuck.

Prof. [Hagadorn] was laying even bets today (Tuesday) that the wind would

start blowing about 1:30 P.M. Wednesday afternoon and we'd let school out early! I said there'd be no school at all Wednesday. That the wind would start blowing by Midnite and we'd be snowed in by 8 this morning and boy, I've hit the nail right on the head, so far. Prof. was just a little too late in the day, that's all.

Honey, WAGE [radio station] announcer tonite said 90 inches of snow had fallen in Syracuse so far this winter, and the worst months are yet to come! It was 20 more inches than they usually have the entire winter. Ain't that sumpin'?

If we don't have any school tomorrow, I'm really going to town here. I'm going to really give things a physic -- A fast one! [cleaning the house].

Darling, I didn't hear from you again today and I just keep hoping that the next-time I'll get some word from you. It's been a month today since you wrote from New River [North Carolina]. I pray I don't have to wait another month 'till I hear from you. That would be about 2 months too long to wait. I'm also hoping that you're getting my letters O.K. 'cause that's why I'm writing -- so you'll get mail and a lot of love every day! Are you getting it? Well, all RIGHT!!!!

If you get all these letters at the same time you're going to have reading enough to last you 2 months! 30 letters all at once! Imagine! Maybe I'll get that many one of these fine, beautiful, snowy, windy, cold days. I hope you've had a chance to write a lot of nice, "love-pitching-woo" letters!!! About 60 of them would just fix what ails me just fine! 'Cause I'm plenty lonesome -- that is -- me and my dog are. And we're only lonesome for one thing -- Our Man! Or, at least, Pooch is lonesome for My Man! I'll bet he'd jump all over you if you walked in that door right now. Of course, I'd sit here, calmly, and say, "Well! Where have you been all this time???" -- Like Hell! I'd probably get to you even before Pooch could -- He's fast but this is one time when I'd be faster! Boy, I'd hug you, till you'd think I was a small edition of Super-Woman! (and so would your ribs).

I've got to go get a pail full of coal and then I'll be about ready for bed. Say, honey, I dreamed about you and Lynne and me last nite. We really had fun! Wow! I'm going to see if we can get a return engagement for tonite -- a double feature with us showing all nite long.

Goodnite Darling
Sleep tight
I love you!

18 Jan 1945 10:05 A.M. Thursday Morning

I'm stealing a piece of Roger's [Lear] paper 'cause I got caught short. I came up to skate [ice skate on the creek in the village of Virgil] last nite and the car didn't work so I'm still here. Probably the g.d. fires will go out but I'm quickly getting to the point where I don't give a damn.

I wish you were around so I could write and hear right away from you, but since you aren't, I'll tell you what I think I'm going to do and you'll just have to write back as soon as possible and tell me what you think. I won't be able to wait that long, though, honey, to do what I plan so here goes.---

I haven't told you before but the water has been frozen since I spent the week-end at Isabel's [Hoose] -- 1 1/2 weeks [ago]. Leon [Terrell] had a man thaw out the pipes (it's frozen under the ground between houses, so it's not my fault it froze. It was below zero almost all the time I was at Isabel's) last Saturday and they were alright from 12:00 noon until 8:00 P.M. that nite and then they froze again. The way I figure it doesn't matter how many times

we have it thawed, it will freeze again as long as it's this awful cold. And that ain't all, I have about 3 buckets of coal left, altogether, and Harold [Vunk] says I'll just have to wait till they bring some up from Scranton [PA], and he doesn't know when that will be. We've had so much snow that I'm snowed in down there more time than not, and I have to get out some way to school [to work as a secretary for Prof. Hagadorn, the principal]. The car has been in the garage 4 times since Christmas and last night it still wouldn't work. Here's the situation in a nutshell:

No coal, no water, no car, and
All snow!!

Darling, I hope you can understand what I'm up against. The coal yards in Cortland won't sell coal to anyone. All they'll sell is "Coke" [soft coal] so I'll just have to wait for Harold [Vunk] whether I want to or not.

I'm going to move our bed and one dresser (just the dresser) up here to mom's [Lear's rented apartment in the center of the village of Virgil]. I'll pay rent down there to your folks [Terrell] just the same, and I'll move back the minute it gets warmer out. You see, honey, we've still got the worst 2 months of winter -- coming!! February and March. And I'm damned sick of having no water, a car that won't work, and a cold house even when the fires have been banked. [Banking a coal fire, grandchildren, means to shovel a ring of new coal around the center of the burning, hot coals. Then, as the fire "burns down" and the burned out coal turns to ashes, the "stock pile" of new coal around the outside edges slowly falls into the center and automatically "feeds" the fire for several more hours before it "burns out". Leaving a small "hot spot" of "hot coals" in the center is very important. If you completely "smother" the hot coals with new coal, then the very volatile "coal gases" will not properly "burn off" and go "up the chimney". If these very deadly coal gases cannot properly burn off, then they are apt to "build up" under the pile of new coal and possibly cause an explosion. This could blow the furnace (usually made out of cast iron) apart, spewing "hot coals" all over the room and possibly setting the house on fire. That it also why it is very important, when "banking a coal fire", to not make the ring of new coal too high or it could "fall in" too soon or too fast and "smoother" the fire. This could also cause the fire to "cool down" so far that the natural upward "chimney draft" would "slow down" and not carry the gases up the chimney. This was known as the "silent killer" in some homes where the "odorless", deadly, unburned "coal gases" have been known to kill sleeping occupants. That is also why more modern "natural gas" has a "man made odor" mixed in so that we can detect any possible natural gas "leak".] The house gets awfully cold while I'm at school and I about freeze until about 1/2 - 1 hour after I get home.

So please don't have kittens about me moving for a while, honey. [I won't, honey. I'll leave that to mother cats.] I'm not doing it because I don't like living in our house but just so I won't have to spend a fortune on the car and so your folks won't have so much trouble. When I get stuck usually, I have to let Leon [Terrell] or someone pull me out. When the car doesn't work Leon tows it uptown and has it fixed. When my water's frozen [water pipes between the two houses] they [Terrell's] pay about $10 to have a man come thaw it out. I haven't told them what I'm going to do yet, but I'm going to tonite if I can get home.

Honey, just remember that as soon as some of this snow goes and the thermometer goes up a ways, I'll be right back in our house. It's only 8 degrees [F] above and it's 10:20 in the morning. Darling, If I'd known this winter was going to be the worst in years I wouldn't have wasted our coal or

been so uncomfortable as long as I have. I've just decided that it will be this bad the rest of the winter and why should I walk to school, build fires, waste coal for just me, and spend 50 or 60 dollars getting the car to go when I can be here [with George and Daisy Lear] -- Walk to school, be near the store, not worry all the time about fires and water pipes, and be able to hitch a ride into Cortland anytime.

You've just got to understand, honey. [I do, Maggie, and I am very sorry that I asked you to wait for me at our little house until I came back from the service. I love you.] I've argued by myself for 2 pages trying to explain and I think I've covered the subject thoroughly. [You did, honey, thank you.] Just write back and give me one big O.K. and say that you understand [I do, honey.] or else write and give me hell. I've just got to move for a while, I can't help it.

So long, honey. I'll write tonite. I'm going to have Mr. Clarke [the mailman] leave my mail here [at Lear's mail box] when I come up..

Say, honey, I love you.

19 Jan 1945 12:30 A.M. Friday Morning

Hello Darling - Honey - Darling - Sweetheart <u>and</u> honey!!!

I received <u>four</u> letters from you today and just a few words can't describe how glad I was to get them! I was relieved, to hear from you. -- I was glad to hear from you, and I was sad because your letters confirmed what I knew, that you were going farther away every minute. I wish that I could be with you and experience the things you are -- the sea, ships with waves slapping at them in vain, sunsets and beautiful tropical days and especially nights under one of those Higgins Landing Boats!!! Or were you with about sixty other fellows, breathing down each other's necks?? That kind of a night would be a disappointment to me. Of course, some girls would be happy. -- Woo! Woo! Oh, darling, I love you so much. Just reading your letters over and over made me realize how much. If they only keep coming through now, I'll be a happy married old maid! Just write when you have a chance, honey, and I'll keep the letters coming regularly to you. You won't have as much you will be able to tell me, but not one piece was cut out [by the censors] of the 4 letters I got today. I think there's a little more than some fellows think there is that you can write about. Besides if you want to make me happy, just write a 4 or 5 page letter telling me how much you love me. That will satisfy me -- and how!!

The 4 letters I got today were the ones dated Dec. 25, Jan 3,6 and 7th. I'm betting 10 - 1 that you participated in the landing on Luzon January 9th. Will you bet with me or have I won before we start?? [You lost, honey.]

I called the Cortland Standard [newspaper distribution office] and changed your address. Ain't that being a prompt Secretary? Speaking of secretaries, I still don't think you can type better than I can!! Want to fight about it? [No way, honey. You win. Weeeellll, maybeeee just as good.]

I went down and talked to your folks tonite. Your father said I was doing the best thing I possibly could until the weather breaks down and thaws. Your mother didn't react too well -- not like your dad -- but she didn't say it wasn't a good idea. <u>But</u> she didn't say it was! I expected it to be like that and so I wasn't surprised. Your father is a <u>very</u> reasonable man and I can safely state, here and now, that I love him and I couldn't have got a better father-in-law had I chosen father-in-laws instead of a husband. (Just married a fellow so I could have had a nice father-in-law.) As it was I married the

guy I love and always will love most and took my chances on a father-in-law.

Tic [Kenneth Ticknor, Maggie's old boyfriend, who went into the service the same time I did, only into the Army instead of the Marines.] has gone overseas, too, darling, but in the other direction -- towards England. [Tic was wounded in action a few weeks later and shipped back Stateside before I ever had a chance to see action.]

Honey, I'm going to bring up enough so I can have a one-room home, radio, pin-up lamp, electric clock and like that. Darling, please don't let it bother you. [I won't, honey. I understand.] I've just got to do this for a while. I've stuck it out longer now than most people would and I'll really enjoy it so, living down there [back to our little house] this spring and summer and fall. Maybe you'll be here to keep my feet warm by next winter. I'm hoping so, anyway! [Sorry, not for another 17 long months, honey.] They're [Terrells] going to thaw the water and drain it all Saturday and it won't hurt anything for it to wait for me 'till spring. Maybe being where it's hot, you can't see how it could be very cold here, but your memory will help you and you'll remember last winter and, honey, it was mild compared to this one. [I believe you, honey.]

I gathered from your letters that you left the Tuesday you mailed my last letter, took a short train ride and shoved off for the South Pacific Dec. 22. [More like Dec. 20th, because we were 21 days on board ship and didn't pull into Pearl Harbor until around Jan 10, 1945.]

Mrs. Abbott, in Cortland, told Leon [Terrell] that her son said your Replacement Draft [42nd Draft] left for overseas at Norfolk, Virginia and you left New River [Camp Lejeune, NC] that Tuesday nite. He [Mrs. Abbott's son] was in the 45th Replacement Draft and he's still in California. [While I was at Tent City, Transient Center in Pearl Harbor waiting to be shipped down under, we heard that the transport ship carrying the 45th Replacement Draft was torpedoed and sunk on the way over to us. We were glad that our ship had taken the long way over and sneaked in without a hitch. We never did hear whether that story was confirmed or not. We all just wished that it wasn't true.]

Goodnite, darling. Sleep tight -- and don't let those mosquitoes bite.

All My Love
And Then some more
Maggie --

[Don to Maggie]

5 Mar 1945

Pvt. Donald L. Terrell 983241
3rd Provisional Military Police Bn.
Co. K., F. M. F. Pac., U.S.M.C.R.
c/o F. P. O., San Francisco, CA

Nice Evening isn't it, Darling? The only trouble was that I got rather wet while seeing a rather good show with you. Did you like it? I did. The name of it was "The Hairy Ape", symbolizing the grimy, soot covered men who keep the old ships going by feeding the hungry depths of the ship's furnaces and boilers. You were sitting right beside me, darling, and I had my arm

around you trying to shield you from the rain which brought a heart warming smile from you with an occasional kiss. Thank you, dear.

As you can see by my new address, I have been transferred into the Military Police Battalion. I didn't think I would like it at first and still don't but the old timers have softened me up a bit with a few wise words. They say we are a combat force and probably will land with assault troops at times and also this will not prolong my term of duty overseas. That makes it sound a little better along with other advantages, honey. But I still don't like the idea and would much rather have my B.A.R.[Browning Automatic Rifle] and plenty of ammunition with plenty of Jap cannon fodder in front of me.

I turned in my old M-1 rifle and will probably draw a Carbine or some smaller arms weapon. I am still situated on the same dot on the map but at a different place. How long we stay here or where we go from here is as much your guess as mine, honey. We are still living in tents only they are slightly better furnished.

I wrote and told Dad to have my address changed again at the Cortland Standard. Yes, honey, I think that the Readers Digest would be a very nice book to send to me. I don't believe they sell it here at the P.X. and I like to read that book as well as any. Of course I like best to read the letters from my lovely wife or rather listen to her talk to me [through her letters] though thousands of miles away.

It pleases my humble soul very much indeed, darling, to think that you went so punch drunk at receiving three letters from me in one day. I'm sure it was purely a mistake, dear, and I won't let it happen again --- unless I can help it. You sure are getting in a lot of time at baby tending, honey. What's the matter, getting anxious for one of your own? Time marches on. Someday we'll fool the whole bunch of them, honey.

[Don to Maggie]

29 Apr 1945

And how is my little sugar pie this fine morning with the birds singing and the sun shining? Oh, quit beating your gums! Do you see any crosses on my collar? I am not the Chaplain. Well it's a great day to be alive anyway and besides maybe tomorrow will be much better, who knows.

My, what beautiful legs you have, dear, and that figure. Wow! Say, honey, you look 100% better in a grass skirt than any of these damn black gals over here. I wouldn't swap you for 2 thousand of them. Maybe the pictures were just for me but I thought they were so swell that I showed them to all my buddies. They asked me where I picked up that cute number and when I told them it was my wife they said "Nice catch!". So, you see I am not the only one that thinks you're beautiful -- and amazing.

Now what are you beating your gums about? Why haven't I written you in so long? Well, hon, I have started a letter several times but never had time to finish it. If you'll forgive my humble self I will endeavor to write you every day for a week or more and maybe twice a day. I am getting a short vacation since I was such a good little boy and did my work without beating my gums only every other five minutes. No, I'm not going to Florida to spend my short vacation but I had thought about a little place in the hills called Virgil where the best gal in the world is waiting for me.

Say, honey, I got one hell of a surprise last night while at the movies. Who do you think I saw sitting two rows down from me with his left arm in a sling? Since you couldn't guess, I will tell you -- Lyman Munson. He didn't see me so I walked up behind him and tapped him on his shoulder. Boy, was he surprised! After the movies we went back to the Ward and talked until taps. He is getting along fine and feels swell.

Before you go asking too many questions I had better tell you what I am doing in a hospital. It seems that during my short time overseas I have gotten a fungus infection on my right foot. It isn't bad, honey, and will be healed up shortly. It hasn't bothered me hardly any so I tried to heal it up myself and when it didn't work, well, it's the doctors worry not mine. The main reason for the hospital is to keep me off my feet and to give me better treatment. A mere trifle. Well, I was getting behind on my letter writing anyway.

Getting back to "Lymie", honey, he is in the Ward right next to mine so we will be seeing each other every day for a week or so. They just took the shrapnel out of his shoulder about four days ago so it won't be long before he will be back with his outfit. He is in the 4th Division. The same Division which I am attached to indirectly. If I had known he was in the 4th I would have looked him up before. Please send me the scoop as to what Division and Company the rest of the fellows are in from Virgil that are in the Pacific Theater. Maybe I'll run onto someone else.

I just got a letter from Bob [Terrell] which stated that he had taken a short but swift airplane ride. I take it that they need more anti-aircraft defense against Jap counter air-raids on the island they are securing now. He says everything is all right but it might not be if he gets a Jap goose egg on his head from above. I haven't got Dick's [Terrell] address yet but I'm going to write a letter to him and send it when I get the address. Will write again later in the day.

[Don to Maggie]

20 Jun 1945

Special Services
Headquarters, F.M.F.Pac. [Fleet Marine Force, Pacific]
c\o F.P.O. San. Calif. [Fleet Post Office, San Francisco, California]

Moved again but this time not very far. At least I am still on the island of Oahu. From the looks of things I guess I got a darn good deal this time. As you can see by my address, I am in Special Services in the headquarters of the Fleet Marine Force in the Pacific.

This is a much better job than the one I refused at Camp Lejeune, N. C. But since I was ordered to do the job I have no other choice. I think I'm going to like it though, honey, because here you live more like civilized people. There is good laundry service and the accommodations are about as good as can be found anywhere overseas.

How I came about getting this kind of job is more of a mystery to me than you. Most of the fellows employed in Headquarters are veterans of hard fought campaigns and long months overseas duty. Since I am physically fit for combat, have never seen combat and also with a short time overseas, I can't

figure it out. Maybe it was just my turn to get a good break and so here I am.

When they called for me at the N.C.O.'s [Non-commissioned Officer's] Club [where I was working part-time mixing drinks and waiting on tables] and told me to be ready for transfer in 45 minutes, I expected to either join my old outfit or a new combat one. I was the only one being transferred at the time which was even more puzzling. But here I am, honey!

Since this will probably be my address for some time, please have the Cortland Standard [newspaper] and Coronet [magazine] changed to this address. As to the Leatherneck magazine, honey, you might just as well keep all my issues there at home. I can get all the copies I want out here right now.

I have an anniversary card here that I bought about three months ago. I'll try to get it off tomorrow if I can, so if it arrives late don't be surprised.

Say, honey, I did a darn foolish thing last Monday. I sent all the money I had ($55) in money orders to you for our 2nd Wedding Anniversary. Since I had been making from $4 to $6 a day at the N.C.O.'s Club on tips, I had expected to have plenty of spending money by the end of the day. The one thing I hadn't figured on though was being transferred that same day. So consequently I find myself broke with pay day a month away. Since I have to have money to pay my laundry bill, I would appreciate it, honey, if you would send me about $5 as soon as possible. That's a heck of a thing to do isn't it, honey? Send your wife a present of money and then write her for some of it. I guess I just didn't look ahead far enough.

----------[After about 1 year at Special Services]----------

4 Jul 1946 3:50 P.M. Thursday Treasure Island, U.S.A.!!

My Dearest Darling -

You is all talking with a mighty happy man, sweetheart. A man, since the 11 of June [I am now 21 years old, grandchildren] and happy since landing on this great big hunk of fertile soil called the United States of America. Though I haven't been gone long or so far away, it sure seemed darn good to sail under the Golden Gate Bridge and know that I'm that much closer to you, darling. Everything is going along fairly smoothly here, honey, so it shouldn't be too long before I'll be a civilian again and on my way to meet my wonderful wife, the sweetest and bestest little woman in all the world. I love you, Maggie, with all my heart.

Our orders were written up the 19th [of June], we checked out and went through all the red-tape the remainder of that day. Then the 20th, at about 1400, about fifty of us took off from Camp Catlin to Transient Center to await the first available transportation back to the States for duty or discharge. We hung around Transient Center for six days, during which time we were told that we would all be flown home. Then the noon of the 25th, we were put on the outgoing lists for 0600 Wednesday morning. At 0430, the 26th of June, on our 3rd Wedding Anniversary, we lined our gear up in front of the loading platform for sea bag inspection. Our Anniversary day was a beautiful day, darling. I thought of you all day long and was happy to think that, even if we couldn't be together, then it would mark the beginning of my long trip back home to you. I had planned on getting a card and maybe a present or something for you, but everything happened so fast that I didn't get around to even sending a card. I was going over to Catlin Tuesday night and give my buddy

Netz money to send you a telegram and some flowers but we were restricted, being on transfer. I kept bitching about it, and the fellows told me that you would realize that I was in transit and would understand. Darling, I'm sorry as heck and I'll make up for it somehow when I get back.

Darling, by rights you won that bet of chocolate ice cream sundaes about what ship I was coming home on. You see, at first they made up a list of about 44 men to go on the U.S.S. President Hayes, and our detail of nine men was not on it. The fellows heard about it before I did and came to me bitching like hell. Since I was in charge of the detail, it was up to me to look into it, so I went up to the office to see what the scoop was. The Gunnery Sergeant said that we weren't on it until just a few minutes before that, but since the orders called for 50 men, they had taken off a three man detail and put our nine man detail on to make out the even fifty. I went back and told the fellows, who were happy as hell, since the fellows that weren't on the list were bitching like hell, as they thought they wouldn't get out for a long time. My argument was that I turned our orders in the second one, so there should have been no reason why we weren't on the first of the list. Anyway, as it turned out, that afternoon another list came out taking the rest of the fellows and assigning them to the A.P.A. Boulingen [ship].

We boarded the Hayes about 0700, along with hundreds of sailors, a few Marines from Eva Air Station, a few civil service men and a few servicemen's wives, children and etc. Pulled out of Pearl Harbor about 1630 and spent a fair to middling good trip across the Pacific Ocean. Sailed under the Golden Gate Bridge about 0900 Tuesday morning, the 2nd of July. Took a ferry here to Treasure Island, walked a mile or so with our gear to the other side of the island, assigned to Casual Company No. 1, Marine Barracks No. 189, Treasure Island, California, assigned our bunks, given a short lecture, walked back to the other side of the island for chow, back again and I was ready to call my honey. Went to a telephone booth right across the street, tried to get the long distance operator, couldn't, gave up, went to the telegraph office about a mile away, wired Mother and Dad and you, came back, walked into the booth, and within two minutes I was floating among the clouds when I heard your voice on the other end of the line. I have no idea of how long we talked, darling, but it must have been at least ten or 15 minutes. I also called person to person so I hope the bill doesn't run too high. It was worth it, though, darling, no matter what the price. I felt as if all time had stopped and you were so close to me that what few thousand miles there was now between us was but a couple of steps away. The world seems so small that the term West Coast to East Coast seems to strike me as but a few miles apart.

Darling, when you told me Grampa [LeRoy] had died and that Mother and Dad were there on the East Coast, it didn't strike me there, at first. That night, after I had taken my shower and hit the sack, I started thinking about our phone call, and then it struck me that Grampa had really died. I thought back about how we had treated him and how little we had gone to see them after we left the [Davis] farm [in East Homer, NY]. Grampa was a darn good man and I was very sorry to hear that he passed away so young. Was his death caused from internal injuries from the auto accident? That accident really set him back in health so that it didn't give him much of a chance to enjoy life as he and Gramma had always wanted to.

Wednesday we drew the rest of our greens and any other clothes that we needed. I spent over 2 1/2 hours in that line, and boy, was I tired. Came back, fell out to be assigned to our respective discharge centers. I was put in the Great Lakes detail. Hardship cases were called to the office. I went up and put my name in. About 20 went up and only 11 were granted permission

to go before the legal board. Took a truck ride across to Oakland Bridge to 101 Harrison Street. Interviewed again, where our record books are kept. Only ten of us got permission to go any further. Went up on the fifth floor, had affidavits made out, approved and signed by us and by the 1st Lieutenant. Went back down and handed them in for final approval. I ended up by being assigned to the San Diego detail for discharge.

At first they said I had to sign two affidavits. One stating that my legal and permanent address was in Tucson, Arizona. The other that you were in Tucson (I had told them that you were on your way out there right now). I talked them out of that, and ended up with one affidavit stating only that my legal and permanent address was at Tucson with my folks and saying nothing about my wife. It is the only way that I can get discharged here on the West Coast.

Remember now, darling, if anything ever comes up that for some reason or other there is a check up, you had been already to come out to Tucson but, at the last minute, without my knowledge, my Grandfather had died and your trip was postponed! I stated that I had a job with Dad, building houses under contract, and that I was looking into College there at Tucson. Nothing will ever become of it, darling, but just in case anything does, remember this. I love you, darling.

Everything is all set now, darling, all we have to do is wait. No word as yet when we'll leave for [San] Diego, but I don't think it will be until the first of next week. They have been sending them on three day trips in L.S.T's [Landing Craft, or ship, Troop, I think, grandchildren]. Here's hoping we go by train instead. Been a Railroad strike here in 'Frisco, but ended last night at 2400. Can't tell yet just how long I'll be at Diego, but as soon as I get my "ruptured duck" (discharge) I'll head for Tucson. By that time, Mother and Dad should be back out there. If they aren't, and plan to stay there for a longer time, I will know, according to our telephone call, you or they will wire me and I'll just keep on going back there to you. I have been thinking since our phone call, how nice it would be if you could ride back out to Tucson with Mother and Dad. That is, if they drove back, though they probably flew back because of the emergency.

Anyway, darling, if you should decide that you wanted to, and could work it so with your job and etc., you could come out with them, I would meet you there, we could look the land over and then go back to Cornell and home together. That is, only if you should decide that you could and wanted to do that. Otherwise, we'll go as we planned before, and I'll meet you there in Ithaca. I don't care what, darling, just so long as I get you in my arms as soon as possible. Going to the shows now, darling. Will write later. Don't write me anymore unless it's important, and then send a telegram instead. I'll give you my Diego address when I get there.

16 Jul 1946 2:10 P.M. Tuesday

At last we have reached the last leg in our round about way to be discharged. We left Treasure Island last Wednesday, went by bus to 'Frisco where we boarded a train at 6:30 P.M. We were lucky in getting Pullman cars on which we slept very comfortably that night, had a good chow in the morning and pulled in at Los Angeles at about 8:30 A.M. Thursday morning. After about a three hour layover in L.A. we boarded a Day coach train and continued on here to Diego. Darling, it was the first time I had ever slept in a Pullman and also the first time I had ever ridden on a real streamlined train. We picked up a bunch of inductees (Marines) and a bunch of dischargee Swabbies

(sailors) at L.A., but they didn't make it crowded, as we had our own coaches. Pulled into the Marine Corps Base here at Diego about 3:00 P.M. Sunday.

Our orders read, and we were supposed to go right straight over here to the Separation Center, but somehow or other they got things fouled up and we ended up at R. & R. Center for reprocessing. Boy, what a mad bunch of fellows we were. It seems like every time we turn around, the Marine Corps is trying to hold us up. They put us on schedule at R. & R. and told us we might be there one day or two weeks, which made us all the madder. I thought some of the fellows were going to get run up for talking and bitching like they did in ranks, but nothing ever became of it.

Yesterday afternoon some of the 2nd Division from Japan came in to be processed for discharge -- about 1,700 of them. So you can imagine the chow line we had. That evening they fed chow at two lines for close to three hours straight.

At 0830 this morning we were transferred over here to Separation Center. Drew our linen and a "ruptured duck" apiece for our shirts. Boy, was I ever proud to get mine pinned on and go strutting around with it.

We go on schedule tomorrow (Wednesday) morning at 0730 and are discharged Friday Morning, paid off about 1100 A.M. and are free to go on our way home.

I met another of the fellows I went through Boot Camp with. Fact is, he is right here in this barracks and is getting discharged tomorrow. He got duty on Maui with the 10th Amphibs, came Stateside in Feb., got a 30 day furlough and just got back and is being discharged.

Now that I've brought you up to date on what I've been doing the past couple of weeks, darling, let's maul over a little about what comes next. I love you, Maggie.

I haven't got in touch with Mother and Dad yet, other than the telegram I sent them just before I phoned you. Didn't think it would pay to try to phone or wire them until I was pretty sure they had arrived back in Tucson. Have been rather low on funds, so I will wait till I get paid Friday and then call them and tell them about when I'll arrive in Tucson. Since I didn't get any return wire from you, I take it that Mother and Dad and the kids are either on their way, or back in Arizona now. I forgot to ask you about A. Elsie and U. Don [Riehlman], whether they were coming back the same time or not.

3 Aug 1946 7:05 A.M.

WESTERN
UNION
[telegram]

SY9 NL PD=BT DALLAS TEX AUG 2 1946 Aug 3 AM 7 05
MRS DONA=
D L TERRELL=225 COLUMBIA ST IK=

MY DARLING PLANE TO TEXAS 9 PM 1 AUGUST BUS TO NEW YORK
ARRIVE MONDAY MORNING EVERYTHING OKAY I LOVE YOU ALL MY LOVE=
=DON=

9 PM 1.

[NOTE: My "free" airplane ride from Tucson, Arizona to New York abruptly ended in the southernmost tip of Texas when the military people realized that

I was already discharged and therefore had no business on a military plane. I then started out "hitch-hiking" my way home to Maggie. I later became friends with a young fellow that was also hitch-hiking his way up north to his home in Dallas, Texas. He was completely broke so I lent him some money and we both purchased train tickets to Dallas, Texas and his parent's home. He put me up for the night at his house, fed me and the next day took me to the bus station and helped me buy bus tickets to get me to Ithaca, New York. I don't remember his name but I will always be very grateful to him for helping me get home to Maggie.]

CONCLUSION

Maggie did meet Don at the bus station as planned and they both went happily up to their little apartment at 225 Columbia Street. Maggie and Don did go to 13th Lake Lodge for a wonderful, long delayed, Honeymoon. Don did get into Cornell University for the Fall term, 1946 and Maggie continued to work at Warren Hall. Maggie soon became pregnant for their first child. They moved to their newly purchased and newly moved old house in Mecklenburg, NY the last day of June, 1947, the day before their first child, Mark Clayton Terrell, was born on 1 July, 1947. Don took a leave of absence from Cornell after completing one year.

Later on their second child, Lynn Ellen Terrell, was born. Their third child, Bruce Alan Terrell, was born a few years later. Maggie stayed home in Mecklenburg with their growing family. Don finally gave up on returning to Cornell and having a farm and instead worked several other jobs in the Ithaca area.

In 1954 Don, Maggie and family moved back to Ithaca, sold their house in Mecklenburg and purchased a large, 4-apartment house at 505 Hector Street. Don continued working at full-time jobs while filling in his off hours with several part-time jobs. Maggie continued to stay at home with their family and babysat several of their tenant's babies. In 1957 their fourth child, Dana Lee Terrell, was born.

After the children were all in school, Maggie transcribed Oral History tapes at home for Cornell. Shortly after, Ithaco, a small electronic company close to home and elementary school, needed half-day solderers. This began 14 years of full-time employment at Ithaco, which, after a few months as solderer, became secretarial work in the Ithaco office.

As their family grew older they decided to turn the entire first level of their house into more bedroom/study areas for their high school and college age children leaving only the second floor available for rental. In 1960 Don reached the management level of his now chosen career in Municipal Drinking Water Treatment and Distribution retiring from this profession in 1988.

This brings us to 9 Oct 1995 at 505 Hector Street where Don and Maggie are enjoyably continuing their 52 plus years of marriage together. Maggie continues to say, "I love you, Don". Don continues to say,

"I love you, Maggie".

Chart # 1

(1) 25 George Andrew Lear

B 24 Jun 1902 near Cooperstown,IL
M 15 Apr 1920 625 Hazelton, Flint,MI
D 16 May 1974 16 Squires,Cortland,NY
Spouse:
26 Daisy May Ward

(2) 37 Edgar("Toby") Lear

B 13 Nov 1873 near Versailles,IL
M 19 Jan 1895 Mt. Sterling,IL
D 04 Mar 1959 Virginia,IL

(3) 38 Nellie Ann Brewer

B 04 Aug 1872 Mt.Sterling,Brown Co,IL
M 19 Jan 1895 Mt. Sterling,IL
D 04 Jul 1962 Hospital-Jacksonville,IL

(4) 79 Andrew Flenard Lear

B 09 Mar 1852 BroadTopTwpBedfordCo,PA
M after 1870 IL
D 19 Oct 1916 Rushville,SchuylerCo,IL

(5) 80 Lavina Hill

B 09 Sep 1841 near Mt. Sterling,IL
M after 1870 IL
D 20 Aug 1922 OaklandTwpSchuylerCo,IL

(6) 85 (Samuel) George Brewer

B 27 Mar 1844 Davidson Co.,NC
M 07 Feb 1871 Mt.Sterling,Brown Co,IL
D 30 Sep 1927 Chapin,Morgan Co.,IL

(7) 86 Hulda Davis

B 25 Jul 1849 Versailles,Brown Co.,IL
M 07 Feb 1871 Mt.Sterling,Brown Co,IL
D 26 Oct 1927 Chapin,Morgan Co,IL

(8) 191 John . . Lear

B 11 Feb 1809 Franklin Co.,PA
M 1828 PA
D 21 May 1881 CooperstownTwpBrownCoIL

(9) 192 Maria M. Richardson

B c 1808 Bedford Co.,PA
M 1828 PA
D 04 Dec 1888 CooperstownTwpBrownCoIL

(10) 201 Henry Hill

B 26 Mar 1816 IN
M 02 Mar 1837 Schuyler Co.,IL
D 14 Jan 1859 CooperstownTwpBrownCoIL

(11) 202 Rhodisa(Dicey) Davis

B 29 Jan 1818 Claiborne Co.,TN
M 02 Mar 1837 Schuyler Co.,IL
D 25 Jul 1878 CooperstownTwpBrownCoIL

(12) 210 George W.(Washington?) Brewer

B 1799 Randolph Co.,NC
M . . NC
D . . . .

(13) 211 Elizabeth Hedrick

B 1805 Davidson Co.,NC
M . . NC
D . . . .

(14) 218 Thomas Hampton Davis

B 09 Jan 1806 Davidson Co.,NC
M c 1825 NC
D 18 Nov 1890 Versailles,Brown Co.,IL

(15) 219 Nancy Eroline Hedrick

B 31 May 1806 Davidson Co., NC
M c 1825 NC
D 23 Dec 1893 Versailles,Brown Co.,IL

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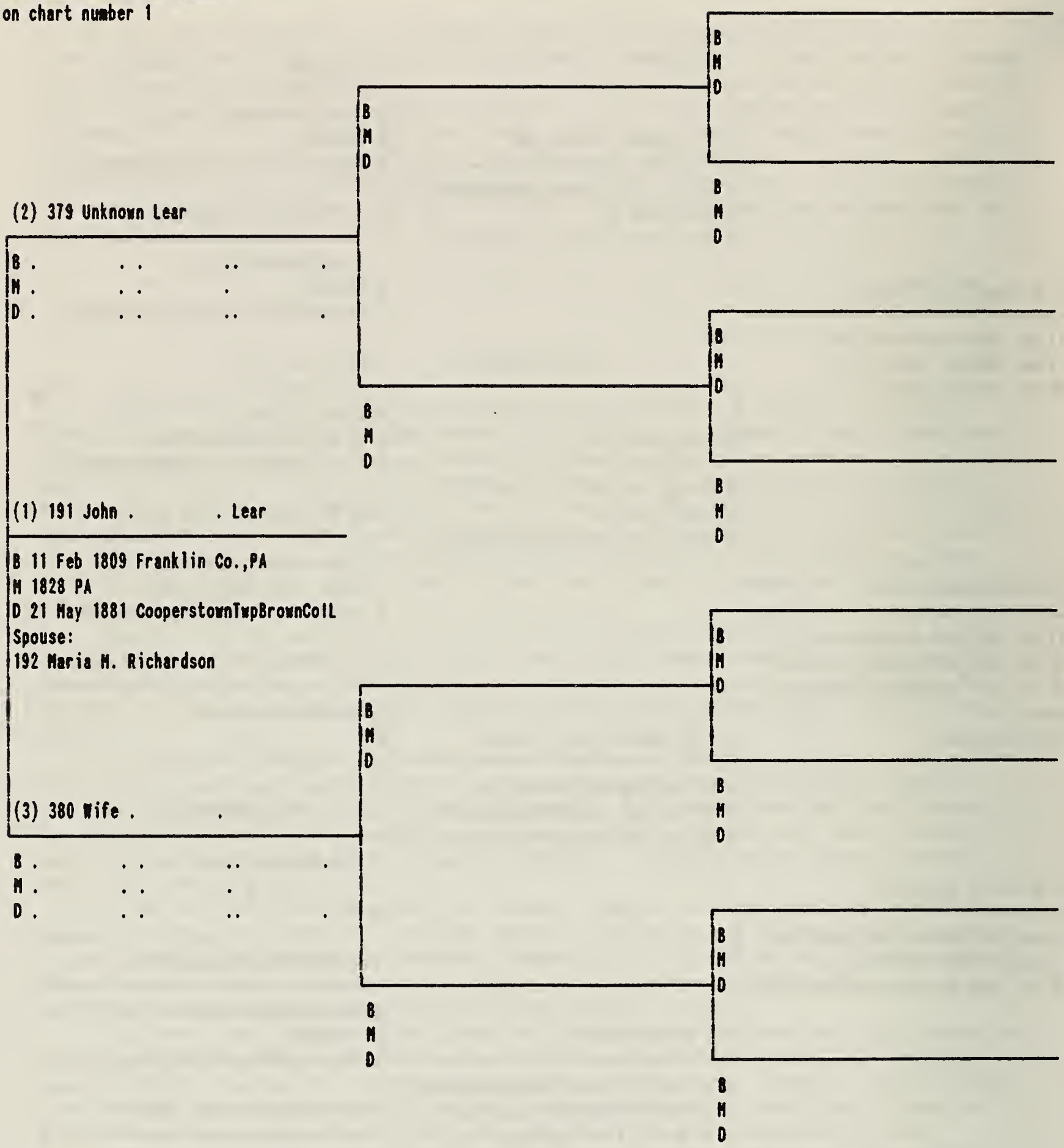

Chart # 3
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(2) 383 Joseph Richardson

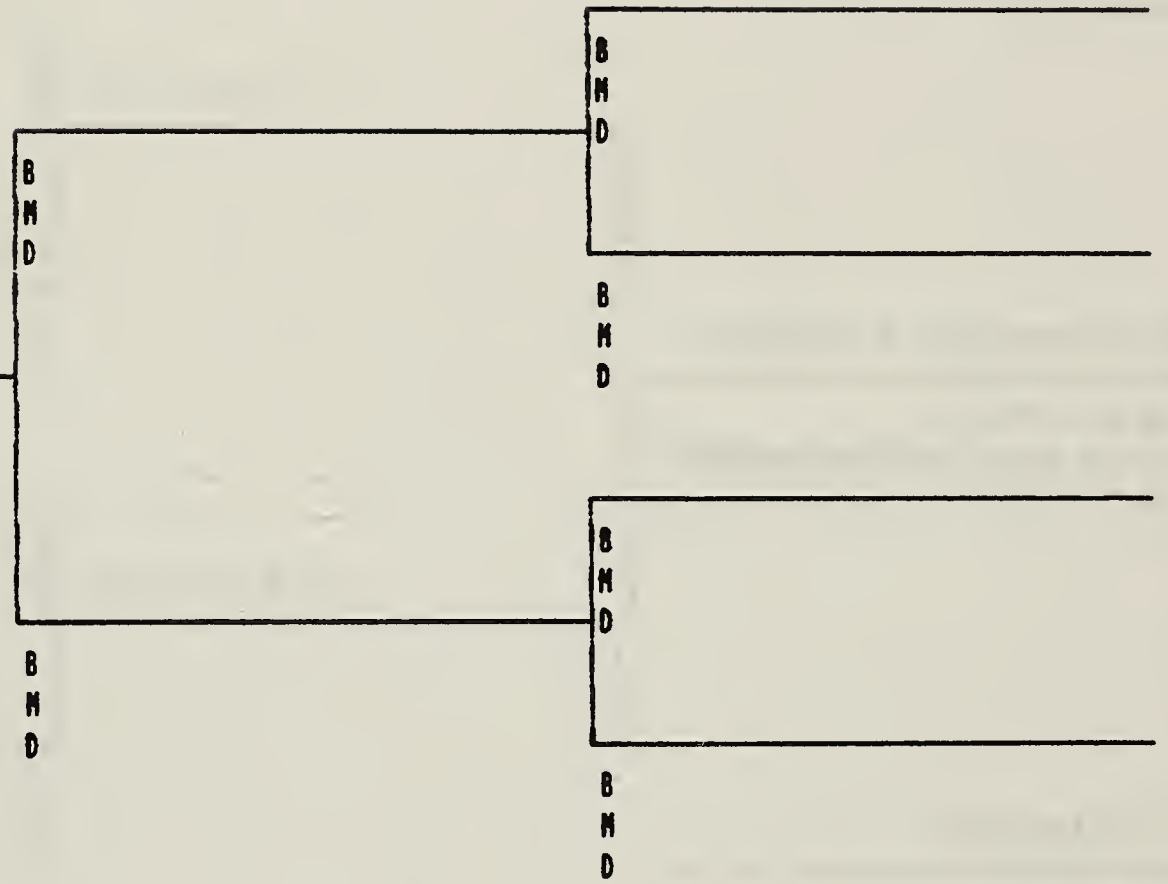
B c 1784 . .(Ireland ?)
M c 1804 . .
D 1822 Bedford Co.,PA

(1) 192 Maria M. Richardson

B c 1808 Bedford Co.,PA
M 1828 PA
D 04 Dec 1888 CooperstownTwpBrownCoIL
Spouse:
191 John . . Lear .

(3) 384 Hannah Davis

B c 1784 . .. .
M c 1804 . .
D . . .. .



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the same as person number 10
on chart number 1

(2) 388 Robert/Robin S. Hill/Hills

B 08 Jul 1795 NC/TN
M 02 Jan 1814 ElizabethtownHardinCoKY
D 08 Nov 1866 Brown Co.,IL

(1) 201 Henry Hill

B 26 Mar 1816 IN
M 02 Mar 1837 Schuyler Co.,IL
D 14 Jan 1859 CooperstownTwpBrownCoIL
Spouse:
202 Rhodisa(Dicey) Davis

(3) 389 Elizabeth Angel

B 1795 NC
M 02 Jan 1814 ElizabethtownHardinCoKY
D 07 Sep 1871 Brown Co.,IL

B
M
D

(6) 1991 John Angel

B . . . .
M . . .
D . . . .

(7) 1992 wife . .

B . . . .
M . . .
D . . . .

Chart # 5
Person number 1 on this chart is
the same as person number 11
on chart number 1

(1) 202 Rhodisa(Dicey) Davis

B 29 Jan 1818 Claiborne Co.,TN
M 02 Mar 1837 Schuyler Co.,IL
D 25 Jul 1878 CooperstownTwpBrownCoIL
Spouse:
201 Henry Hill

(2) 398 Benjamin Davis

B c 1795 TN [State:1796]
M c 1815 Claiborne Co.,TN
D 09 Feb 1872 Brown Co.,IL

(3) 399 Lavina/Melvina/Vina Perry

B c 1796 NC/SC
M c 1815 Claiborne Co.,TN
D c 1867 Brown Co.,IL

(4) 1993 Elnathan Davis

B . . . .
M . . .
D . . . .

(5) 1994 Rebecca Brooks

B . . . .
M . . .
D . . . .

(6) 1995 Nathan Perry

B . . . .
M . . .
D . . . .

(7) 1996
Rebecca Yarborough/Yarberry/Yarbrey

B . . . .
M . . .
D . . . .

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Chart # 6
Person number 1 on this chart is
the same as person number 14
on chart number 1

(2) 3371 John/James Robert(?) Davis

B . .NC
M
D

(1) 218 Thomas Hampton Davis

B 09 Jan 1806 Davidson Co.,NC
M c 1825 NC
D 18 Nov 1890 Versailles,Brown Co.,IL
Spouse:
219 Nancy Eroline Hedrick

(3) 3372 Susan Williams(?)

B . .NC
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Chart # 7
Person number 1 on this chart is
the same as person number 15
on chart number 1

(2) 3373 John Hedrick

B . .NC
M
D

(1) 219 Nancy Eroline Hedrick

B 31 May 1806 Davidson Co., NC
M c 1825 NC
D 23 Dec 1893 Versailles,Brown Co.,IL
Spouse:
218 Thomas Hampton Davis

(3) 3374 Ellendor Agusta Edwards

B . .NC
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DIRECTIONS: Double the number for the person's father.
Double the number and add 1 for the person's mother.

Any further information on these families would be very much appreciated.

ID=Identification number. Number 6. is George Andrew Lear's ID number.
RN=Record number. (RN=25) is George Andrew Lear's RN number.
b=born d=died m=marrried c=circa or about C=Christened or Baptized date
Ahnentafel means a Compressed Pedigree Chart showing all ancestors.

Ahnentafel for George Andrew Lear (RN=25) 26 Nov 1995

6. George Andrew Lear (RN=25), b 24 Jun 1902 at near Cooperstown,IL, m to Daisy May Ward (RN=26) 15 Apr 1920 at 625 Hazelton, Flint,MI, d 16 May 1974 at 16 Squires,Cortland,NY.

Generation 3

12. Edgar("Toby") Lear (RN=37), b 13 Nov 1873 at near Versailles,IL, m to Nellie Ann Brewer (RN=38) 19 Jan 1895 at Mt. Sterling,IL (Divorced), d 04 Mar 1959 at Virginia,IL.
13. Nellie Ann Brewer (RN=38), b 04 Aug 1872 at Mt.Sterling,Brown Co,IL, m to Edgar("Toby") Lear (RN=37) 19 Jan 1895 at Mt. Sterling,IL (Divorced), d 04 Jul 1962 at Hospital-Jacksonville,IL.

Generation 4

24. Andrew Flenard Lear (RN=79), b 09 Mar 1852 at BroadTopTwpBedfordCo,PA, m to Lavina Hill (RN=80) after 1870 at IL, d 19 Oct 1916 at Rushville,SchuylerCo, IL.
25. Lavina Hill (RN=80), b 09 Sep 1841 at near Mt. Sterling,IL, rm to Andrew Flenard Lear (RN=79) after 1870 at IL, d 20 Aug 1922 at OaklandTwpSchuylerCo, IL.
26. (Samuel) George Brewer (RN=85), b 27 Mar 1844 at Davidson Co.,NC, m to Hulda Davis (RN=86) 07 Feb 1871 at Mt.Sterling,Brown Co,IL, d 30 Sep 1927 at Chapin,Morgan Co.,IL.
27. Hulda Davis (RN=86), b 25 Jul 1849 at Versailles,Brown Co.,IL, m to (Samuel) George Brewer (RN=85) 07 Feb 1871 at Mt.Sterling,Brown Co,IL, d 26 Oct 1927 at Chapin,Morgan Co,IL.

Generation 5

48. John . . Lear (RN=191), b 11 Feb 1809 at Franklin Co.,PA, m to Maria M. Richardson (RN=192) 1828 at PA, d 21 May 1881 at CooperstownTwpBrownCoIL.
49. Maria M. Richardson (RN=192), b c 1808 at Bedford Co.,PA, m to John . . Lear (RN=191) 1828 at PA, d 04 Dec 1888 at CooperstownTwpBrownCoIL.
50. Henry Hill (RN=201), b 26 Mar 1816 at IN, m to Rhodisa(Dicey) Davis (RN=202) 02 Mar 1837 at Schuyler Co.,IL, d 14 Jan 1859 at CooperstownTwpBrownCoIL.
51. Rhodisa(Dicey) Davis (RN=202), b 29 Jan 1818 at Claiborne Co.,TN, m to Henry Hill (RN=201) 02 Mar 1837 at Schuyler Co.,IL, d 25 Jul 1878 at CooperstownTwpBrownCoIL.
52. George W.(Washington?) Brewer (RN=210), b 1799 at Randolph Co.,NC, m to Elizabeth Hedrick (RN=211) . . at NC, d . . at . . .
53. Elizabeth Hedrick (RN=211), b 1805 at Davidson Co.,NC, m to George W. (Washington?) Brewer (RN=210) . . at NC, d . . at . . .
54. Thomas Hampton Davis (RN=218), b 09 Jan 1806 at Davidson Co.,NC, m to Nancy Eroline Hedrick (RN=219) c 1825 at NC, d 18 Nov 1890 at Versailles,Brown Co., IL.

55. Nancy Eroline Hedrick (RN=219), b 31 May 1806 at Davidson Co., NC, m to Thomas Hampton Davis (RN=218) c 1825 at NC, d 23 Dec 1893 at Versailles, Brown Co.,IL.

Generation 6

96. Unknown Lear (RN=379), b . . at . .. ., m to Wife . . (RN=380) . . at . ., d . . at . .. .
97. Wife . . (RN=380), b . . at . .. ., m to Unknown Lear (RN=379) . . at . ., d . . at . .. .
98. Joseph Richardson (RN=383), b c 1784 at . .(Ireland ?), m to Hannah Davis (RN=384) c 1804 at . ., d 1822 at Bedford Co.,PA.
99. Hannah Davis (RN=384), b c 1784 at . .. ., m to Joseph Richardson (RN=383) c 1804 at . ., d . . at . .. .
100. Robert/Robin S. Hill/Hills (RN=388), b 08 Jul 1795 at NC/TN, m to Elizabeth Angel (RN=389) 02 Jan 1814 at ElizabethtownHardinCoKY, d 08 Nov 1866 at Brown Co.,IL.
101. Elizabeth Angel (RN=389), b 1795 at NC, m to Robert/Robin S. Hill/Hills (RN=388) 02 Jan 1814 at ElizabethtownHardinCoKY, d 07 Sep 1871 at Brown Co., IL.
102. Benjamin Davis (RN=398), b c 1795 at TN [State:1796], m to Lavina/Melvina/Vina Perry (RN=399) c 1815 at Claiborne Co.,TN, d 09 Feb 1872 at Brown Co.,IL.
103. Lavina/Melvina/Vina Perry (RN=399), b c 1796 at NC/SC, m to Benjamin Davis (RN=398) c 1815 at Claiborne Co.,TN, d c 1867 at Brown Co.,IL.
108. John/James Robert(?) Davis (RN=3371), b at . .NC, m to Susan Williams(?) (RN=3372).
109. Susan Williams(?) (RN=3372), b at . .NC, m to John/James Robert(?) Davis (RN=3371).
110. John Hedrick (RN=3373), b at . .NC, m to Ellendor Agusta Edwards (RN=3374).
111. Ellendor Agusta Edwards (RN=3374), b at . .NC, m to John Hedrick (RN=3373).

Generation 7

202. John Angel (RN=1991), b . . at . .. ., m to wife . . (RN=1992) . . at . ., d . . at . .. .
203. wife . . (RN=1992), b . . at . .. ., m to John Angel (RN=1991) . . at . ., d . . at . .. .
204. Elnathan Davis (RN=1993), b . . at . .. ., m to Rebecca Brooks (RN=1994) . . at . ., d . . at . .. .
205. Rebecca Brooks (RN=1994), b . . at . .. ., m to Elnathan Davis (RN=1993) . . at . ., d . . at . .. .
206. Nathan Perry (RN=1995), b . . at . .. ., m to Rebecca Yarborough/Yarberry/Yarbrey (RN=1996) . . at . ., d . . at . .. .
207. Rebecca Yarborough/Yarberry/Yarbrey (RN=1996), b . . at . .. ., m to Nathan Perry (RN=1995) . . at . ., d . . at . .. .

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Mark Clayton Terrell (RN=1)
B: 01 Jul 1947 @ Hospital-Ithaca,NY
M: 06 Jun 1970 @ Cath.Ch., Burlington,MA
Living @ Sudbury,MA
SEX: M
Father: Donald Leon Terrell (RN=17)
Mother: Margaret Ellen Lear (RN=18)

Wife: (Irene) Catherine(Cathy) Sevigny (RN=2)
B: 15 Sep 1948 @ U.S.Naval Hosp.,Panama
Living @ Sudbury,MA
SEX: F
Father: Robert Sevigny (RN=2683)
Mother: Barbara Hessian (RN=2684)

CHILDREN

1 Jennifer Ann Terrell (RN=3)
B: 03 Jan 1973 @ Hospital-Winchester,MA
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
Living @ Sudbury,MA
SEX: F

2 Dianna Lynn Terrell (RN=4)
B: 09 Aug 1975 @ Hospital-Winchester,MA
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
Living @ Sudbury,MA
SEX: F

3 Michael Adam Terrell (RN=5)
B: 02 Jan 1977 @ Hospital-Winchester,MA
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
Living @ Sudbury,MA
SEX: M

4 David Andrew Terrell (RN=6)
B: 02 Aug 1979 @ Hospital-Winchester,MA
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
Living @ Sudbury,MA
SEX: M

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Frederick Grant Scoles (RN=7)
B: 27 Apr 1953 @ Bluffton,OH
M: 01 Oct 1977 @ Meth.Church,Moreland,OH
Living @ Oswego,NY
SEX: M
Father: Guy Scoles (RN=2685)
Mother: Frances Criblez (RN=2686)

Wife: Lynn Ellen Terrell (RN=8)
B: 19 May 1949 @ Hospital-Ithaca,NY
Living @ Oswego,NY
SEX: F
Father: Donald Leon Terrell (RN=17)
Mother: Margaret Ellen Lear (RN=18)

CHILDREN

1 Philip Grant Scoles (RN=9)
B: 22 Jan 1979 @ Hospital-Wooster,OH
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
Living @ Oswego,NY
SEX: M

2 Lisa Ellen Scoles (RN=10)
B: 15 Jun 1981 @ Univ.Hosp.,Cleveland,OH
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
Living @ Oswego,NY
SEX: F

3 Eric Leon Scoles (RN=11)
B: 05 Jul 1984 @ Community Hosp.,Syr.,NY
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
Living @ Oswego,NY
SEX: M

4 Ruth Ann Scoles (RN=386)
B: 08 Aug 1987 @ City Hosp.,Oswego,NY
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
Living @ Oswego,NY
SEX: F

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Bruce Alan Terrell (RN=12)
B: 11 Mar 1952 @ Hospital-Ithaca,NY
M: 21 May 1977 @ Delanco,NJ
D: 06 Oct 1987 @ AnnaIL-lived@SikestonMO
SEX: M
Father: Donald Leon Terrell (RN=17)
Mother: Margaret Ellen Lear (RN=18)
Other Marriages 2: Nona Lei Turner (RN=13)

Wife: Holly Stang Senft (RN=2666)
B: _____ @ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

No Children

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Bruce Alan Terrell (RN=12)
B: 11 Mar 1952 @ Hospital-Ithaca,NY
M: 14 Jun 1980 @ Rock Island,IL
D: 06 Oct 1987 @ AnnaIL-lived@SikestonMO
SEX: M
Father: Donald Leon Terrell (RN=17)
Mother: Margaret Ellen Lear (RN=18)
Other Marriages 1: Holly Stang Senft (RN=2666)

Wife: Nona Lei Turner (RN=13)
B: 30 Jul 1957 @ Hialeah Hosp.,Miami,FL
Living @ Springfield,MO
SEX: F
Father: William Turner (RN=2687)
Mother: Jackie Faust (RN=2688)
Other Marriages 1: Richard Noble (RN=2832), 3: John Thomas Coleman Sr. (RN=1560)

CHILDREN

1 Joshua Alan Terrell (RN=14)
B: 30 Aug 1981 @ Marion,IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
Living @ Springfield,MO
SEX: M

CHILDREN

2 Jodi Lei Terrell (RN=15)
B: 04 Apr 1983 @ Sikeston,MO
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
Living @ Springfield,MO
SEX: F

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Richard Noble (RN=2832)
B: _____ @ _____
M: _____ @ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Nona Lei Turner (RN=13)
B: 30 Jul 1957 @ Hialeah Hosp.,Miami,FL
Living @ Springfield,MO
SEX: F
Father: William Turner (RN=2687)
Mother: Jackie Faust (RN=2688)
Other Marriages 2: Bruce Alan Terrell (RN=12), 3: John Thomas Coleman Sr. (RN=1560)

NUMBER OF CHILDREN: Unknown

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: John Thomas Coleman Sr. (RN=1560)
B: _____ @ _____
M: 13 Feb 1988 @ Sikeston,MO
Living @ Springfield,MO
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____
Other Marriages 1: _____

Wife: Nona Lei Turner (RN=13)
B: 30 Jul 1957 @ Hialeah Hosp.,Miami,FL
Living @ Springfield,MO
SEX: F
Father: William Turner (RN=2687)
Mother: Jackie Faust (RN=2688)
Other Marriages 1: Richard Noble (RN=2832), 2: Bruce Alan Terrell (RN=12)

CHILDREN

1 Cody Wayne Coleman (RN=1561)
B: 12 Oct 1988 @ Hospital-Sikeston,MO
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
Living @ Springfield,MO
SEX: M

2 John Thomas Coleman Jr. (RN=1562)
B: 22 Nov 1989 @ Barnes Hosp-St.Louis,MO
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
Living @ Springfield,MO
SEX: M

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Donald Leon Terrell (RN=17)
B: 11 Jun 1925 @ Wheeler Ave,Cortland,NY
M: 26 Jun 1943 @ M.E.Church,Virgil,NY
Living @ 505 Hector, Ithaca,NY
SEX: M
Father: Leon Keeling Terrell (RN=19)
Mother: Clara Genevieve LeRoy (RN=20)

Wife: Margaret Ellen Lear (RN=18)
B: 22 Jul 1925 @ Hospital-Cortland,NY
Living @ 505 Hector, Ithaca,NY
SEX: F
Father: George Andrew Lear (RN=25)
Mother: Daisy May Ward (RN=26)

CHILDREN

1 Mark Clayton Terrell (RN=1)
B: 01 Jul 1947 @ Hospital-Ithaca,NY
M: 06 Jun 1970 to (Irene) Catherine(Cathy) Sevigny (RN=2) @ Cath.Ch.,
Burlington,MA
Living @ Sudbury,MA
SEX: M

CHILDREN

2 Lynn Ellen Terrell (RN=8)
B: 19 May 1949 @ Hospital-Ithaca,NY
M: 01 Oct 1977 to Frederick Grant Scoles (RN=7) @ Meth.Church,Moreland,OH
Living @ Oswego,NY
SEX: F

3 Bruce Alan Terrell (RN=12)
B: 11 Mar 1952 @ Hospital-Ithaca,NY
M: 21 May 1977 to Holly Stang Senft (RN=2666) @ Delanco,NJ (Divorced)
RM: 14 Jun 1980 to Nona Lei Turner (RN=13) @ Rock Island,IL
D: 06 Oct 1987 @ AnnaIL-lived@SikestonMO
SEX: M

4 Dana Lee Terrell (RN=16)
B: 05 Oct 1957 @ Hospital-Ithaca,NY
Single
D: 26 Jun 1986 @ Ithaca,NY
SEX: M

NOTES:
(W)-1: Text stored under RN18.PWP.

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: George Andrew Lear (RN=25)
B: 24 Jun 1902 @ near Cooperstown,IL
M: 15 Apr 1920 @ 625 Hazelton, Flint,MI
D: 16 May 1974 @ 16 Squires,Cortland,NY
SEX: M
Father: Edgar("Toby") Lear (RN=37)
Mother: Nellie Ann Brewer (RN=38)

Wife: Daisy May Ward (RN=26)
B: 06 Sep 1897 @ Charlotte St,Buffalo,NY
D: 07 Apr 1972 @ Hospital-Cortland,NY
SEX: F
Father: Frank Charles Ward Sr. (RN=44)
Mother: Florence Elon Faure (RN=45)

CHILDREN

1 Margaret Ellen Lear (RN=18)
B: 22 Jul 1925 @ Hospital-Cortland,NY
M: 26 Jun 1943 to Donald Leon Terrell (RN=17) @ M.E.Church,Virgil,NY
Living @ 505 Hector, Ithaca,NY
SEX: F

CHILDREN

2 Wayne Arden Lear (RN=27)
B: 27 Jun 1928 @ Hospital-Cortland,NY
M: 19 Nov 1951 to Marion Dabley Ferris (RN=303) @ M.E.Parsonage,Virgil,NY
Living @ Skaneateles,NY
SEX: M

3 Roger Edgar Lear (RN=28)
B: 06 Apr 1936 @ home-Virgil,NY
M: 15 Oct 1960 to Ann Louise Severn (RN=331) @ Bapt.Church,Vestal,NY
Living @ Cary, N.C.
SEX: M

4 Dale Everett Lear (RN=29)
B: 14 Nov 1938 @ W.State Rd.,Virgil,NY
M: 28 Nov 1964 to Kathleen "Kathi" Doris Radl (RN=337) @ Lutheran Ch.,Merrick,NY
Living @ Wilmington,NC
SEX: M

NOTES:
(1)-1: Text stored under RN18.PWP.

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Edgar("Toby") Lear (RN=37)
B: 13 Nov 1873 @ near Versailles,IL
M: 19 Jan 1895 @ Mt. Sterling,IL
D: 04 Mar 1959 @ Virginia,IL
SEX: M
Father: Andrew Flenard Lear (RN=79)
Mother: Lavina Hill (RN=80)

Wife: Nellie Ann Brewer (RN=38)
B: 04 Aug 1872 @ Mt.Sterling,Brown Co,IL
D: 04 Jul 1962 @ Hospital-Jacksonville,IL
SEX: F
Father: (Samuel) George Brewer (RN=85)
Mother: Hulda Davis (RN=86)
Other Marriages 2: Walter Dorman (RN=2849)

CHILDREN

1 Ford Edgar Lear (RN=39)
B: 28 Dec 1895 @ Brown Co.,IL
M: 31 Dec 1913 to Florence Isabel(Belle) Lung (RN=1468) @ . .
D: 08 May 1949 @ Flint,Genesee Co.,MI
SEX: M

2 Fritz Lear (RN=40)
B: 28 Dec 1895 @ Brown Co.,IL
Single
D: 30 Dec 1895 @ Brown Co.,IL
SEX: M

3 Elsie Marie Lear (RN=41)
B: 13 Dec 1897 @ . .IL
M: . . to Dick Edward Sandman (RN=1480) @ . . (Widowed)
RM: 1928 to Guy. . Grady (RN=1481) @ . .
D: 19 Mar 1935 @ Hosp.-Jacksonville,IL
SEX: F

4 George Andrew Lear (RN=25)
B: 24 Jun 1902 @ near Cooperstown,IL
M: 15 Apr 1920 to Daisy May Ward (RN=26) @ 625 Hazelton, Flint,MI
D: 16 May 1974 @ 16 Squires,Cortland,NY
SEX: M

5 Hulda(Lee) Levina Lear (RN=42)
B: 07 Jul 1905 @ near Rushville,IL
M: . . to Jesse Lee Cannon (RN=1482) @ . . (Widowed)
D: 16 May 1988 @ Jacksonville,IL
SEX: F

6 Faye Lucille Lear (RN=43)
B: 23 Dec 1909 @ near Chapin,IL
M: . .1930 to Robert McAllister (RN=1500) @ . . (Widowed)
Living @ Jacksonville,IL
SEX: F

NOTES:
(H)-1: Edgar Lear and Nellie Brewer Lear Dorman are buried in Chapin IL Cemetery.
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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Walter Dorman (RN=2849)
B: _____ @ _____
M: after 1937. @ . .
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Nellie Ann Brewer (RN=38)
B: 04 Aug 1872 @ Mt.Sterling,Brown Co,IL
D: 04 Jul 1962 @ Hospital-Jacksonville,IL
SEX: F
Father: (Samuel) George Brewer (RN=85)
Mother: Hulda Davis (RN=86)
Other Marriages 1: Edgar("Toby") Lear (RN=37)

No Children

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Andrew Flenard Lear (RN=79)
B: 09 Mar 1852 @ BroadTopTwpBedfordCo,PA
M: after 1870 @ IL
D: 19 Oct 1916 @ Rushville,SchuylerCo,IL
SEX: M
Father: John . . Lear (RN=191)
Mother: Maria M. Richardson (RN=192)

Wife: Lavina Hill (RN=80)
B: 09 Sep 1841 @ near Mt. Sterling,IL
D: 20 Aug 1922 @ OaklandTwpSchuylerCo,IL
SEX: F
Father: Henry Hill (RN=201)
Mother: Rhodisa(Dicey) Davis (RN=202)
Other Marriages 1: John W. Anderson (RN=81)

CHILDREN

1 Alvin Lear (RN=82)
B: Nov 1872 @ Versailles,Brown Co.,IL
M: . . to Hulda May Long (RN=2879) @ . .
D: 1949 @ Astoria, IL
SEX: M

2 Edgar("Toby") Lear (RN=37)
B: 13 Nov 1873 @ near Versailles,IL
M: 19 Jan 1895 to Nellie Ann Brewer (RN=38) @ Mt. Sterling,IL (Divorced)
D: 04 Mar 1959 @ Virginia,IL
SEX: M

3 Oscar N. Lear (RN=83)
B: 10 Dec 1879 @ Cooperstown,Brown Co.IL
M: . . to Nettie Lashbrook (RN=2848) @ . . (Widowed)
RM: after 1920 to Lillie Moore (RN=2880) @ . .
D: 17 Jan 1960 @ Rushville, IL
SEX: M

4 Frederick Lear (RN=84)
B: 05 Jan 1881 @ CooperstownTwpBrownCoIL
M: . . to Mabel Dyer (RN=2881) @ . .
D: 29 Mar 1937 @ Rushville,SchuylerCo.IL
SEX: M

5 . . Lear (RN=2729)
B: _____ @ _____
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: before 1916 @ _____
SEX: ?

6 . . Lear (RN=2730)
B: _____ @ _____
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: before 1916 @ _____
SEX: ?

NOTES:
(H)-1: Child #5 & 6 per Andrew's obituary.
(H)-2: Text.
(1)-1: Alvin and Hulda Long Lear are buried in Rushville, IL Cemetery according to death certificates. I didn't find headstones in 1990.
(2)-1: Edgar Lear and Nellie Brewer Lear Dorman are buried in Chapin IL Cemetery.
(3)-1: Buried Palm Cemetery, Woodstock twp., Schuyler Co., IL.

Text for Andrew Flenard Lear (RN=79)

George and Nellie Lear gave Margaret Lear Terrell names of earlier persons in the family tree. They gave Andrew Lear's middle name as Flenard -- spelled that way by George and seconded by Nellie. No one else has heard this name, and Andrew's middle initial in some legal papers from John and Maria Lear's records in Illinois gave Andrew's middle initial as "J" (probably under the impression that his name was "Andrew Jackson" as was common at that time). In the list "Maria Lear's Heirs" dated Jan 11, 1889 Andrew is listed as Andrew F. Lear! Andrew's wife, Levina Hill Anderson Lear, had been married to John W. Anderson and had three children by John-- Matilda, Dicey and James. Matilda Anderson married a Lizenbee and one of her male children had the middle name Flenard. (Andrew Lear was Matilda's stepfather.)

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: John W. Anderson (RN=81)
B: . . @ . .IL
M: 1857 ? @ Brown Co.,IL
D: c 1867 @ . .. .
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Lavina Hill (RN=80)
B: 09 Sep 1841 @ near Mt. Sterling,IL
D: 20 Aug 1922 @ OaklandTwpSchuylerCo,IL
SEX: F
Father: Henry Hill (RN=201)
Mother: Rhodisa(Dicey) Davis (RN=202)
Other Marriages 2: Andrew Flenard Lear (RN=79)

CHILDREN

1 Infant Anderson (RN=2301)
B: c 1860 @ . .. .
Single
D: Died in infancy @ . .. .
SEX: ?

2 Matilda Anderson (RN=2302)
B: 1862 @ . .IL
M: c 1878 to Jonathan. . Lizenbee (RN=2602) @ . .IL
D: . . @ Buried Macomb, IL
SEX: F

3 Dicey Anderson (RN=2303)
B: c 1864 @ . .. .
M: _____ to . .. . Davis (RN=3096) @ _____
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: F

4 James Anderson (RN=2304)
B: c 1866 @ . .. .
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: M

NOTES:
(H)-1: Text.

Text for John W. Anderson (RN=81)

Have not been able to verify that any John Anderson listings found in census

was the John Anderson who was the first husband of Lavina Hill Lear. Lavina was later wife of Andrew F. Lear.
John W. Anderson and Lavina Hill had three children(Lavina's obituary says they had four children, one dying in infancy) we have been able to verify because they were in 1870 Census, living with their grandmother, Dicey Davis Hill. We have not been able to find Lavina in the 1870 census, or her husband John W. Anderson (don't know if he was still living or was already dead).
1870 Federal Census, Cooperstown Twp., Brown Co., Illinois:
222/222 Dicey, Matilda, Elizabeth, Charles and Lucy Hills.
ALSO: ANDERSON, Matilda age 8 Female White
ANDERSON, Dicey age 6 Female White
ANDERSON, James age 4 Male White
NOTE: The ages of these children do not correspond with 27 Jan 1864 date on the marriage certificate of John W. Anderson and Lavina Hill, but Lavina was still Lavina Hill and living with Dicey Hill in the 1860 Census. Need to verify that the Brown County, Illinois marriage certificate is correct. Lavina's obituary says she married John Anderson in 1857!
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Family Group Sheet

Husband: (Samuel) George Brewer (RN=85)
B: 27 Mar 1844 @ Davidson Co.,NC
M: 07 Feb 1871 @ Mt.Sterling,Brown Co,IL
D: 30 Sep 1927 @ Chapin,Morgan Co.,IL
SEX: M
Father: George W.(Washington?) Brewer (RN=210)
Mother: Elizabeth Hedrick (RN=211)

Wife: Hulda Davis (RN=86)
B: 25 Jul 1849 @ Versailles,Brown Co.,IL
D: 26 Oct 1927 @ Chapin,Morgan Co,IL
SEX: F
Father: Thomas Hampton Davis (RN=218)
Mother: Nancy Eroline Hedrick (RN=219)

CHILDREN

1 Nellie Ann Brewer (RN=38)
B: 04 Aug 1872 @ Mt.Sterling,Brown Co,IL
M: 19 Jan 1895 to Edgar("Toby") Lear (RN=37) @ Mt. Sterling,IL (Divorced)
RM: after 1937. to Walter Dorman (RN=2849) @ . . (Widowed)
D: 04 Jul 1962 @ Hospital-Jacksonville,IL
SEX: F

2 (William) Opher Brewer (RN=87)
B: 25 Jun 1875 @ . ., IL
M: 24 Dec 1900 to Maude Mae Hale (RN=2565) @ . .
D: 25(Mar?)1954 @ . .. .
SEX: M

CHILDREN

3 Martha ("Mae") Ellen Brewer (RN=88)
B: 25 Aug 1877 @ . ., IL
M: c 1905 to Warren McCarthy (RN=2897) @ . .
RM: . . to C. . B. . Myers (RN=2566) @ . .
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: F

4 Mary Lucinda (Lou/Louie) Brewer (RN=89)
B: 05 Nov 1879 @ . ., IL
M: . . to Thomas F. . Lewis Sr. (RN=2567) @ . .
D: 1965 @ . .. .
SEX: F

5 George ("Bob") Washington Brewer (RN=90)
B: 11 Feb 1882 @ . ., IL
M: . . to Minnie . . Stafford (RN=2568) @ . .
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: M

6 (Edward) Arlow Brewer (RN=91)
B: 17 Jun 1884 @ . ., IL
M: 12 Dec 1922 to Margaret Ellen ("Ella") Daley (RN=2569) @ . .
D: May 1938 @ Chapin, IL
SEX: M

7 Orville Perry Brewer (RN=92)
B: 25 Aug 1886 @ . ., IL
M: . . to Hattie. . Thies (RN=2573) @ . . (Widowed)
RM: . . to Helen . . . . (RN=2570) @ . .
D: 1940 @ Chapin, IL
SEX: M

8 Charles Wesley Brewer (RN=93)
B: 10 Jun 1888 @ . ., IL
M: . . to Edith . . Mullens (RN=2571) @ . .
D: 1961 @ Chapin, IL
SEX: M

9 Seth ("Tommy") Howard Brewer (RN=94)
B: 26 Jun 1891 @ . ., IL
M: . . to Rose . . Korty (RN=2572) @ . .
D: . . @ Flint, MI
SEX: M

NOTES:
(H)-1: 1850 Davie County, North Carolina Federal Census, pg. 424, visit 760/760 says: George Brewer, age 7, male, born Davie Co., North Carolina.
(H)-2: Buried Chapin, IL Cemetery (Between Bethel & Chapin on Rt. 67, Morgan Co., IL).
(H)-3: Civil War Veteran: Co. H, 137th Illinois Infantry, May 24 to September 24, 1864.
(W)-1: Text.
(2)-1: Maude and Opher buried Chapin, IL Cemetery.

(3)-1: Text.
(4)-1: Mary Lucinda (Lou/Louie), Thomas Sr. and Thomas Jr. Lewis are buried in Chapin, IL Cemetery.
(6)-1: Edward was always called Arlow.
(7)-1: Buried Chapin Cemetery. Killed as a pedestrian by a train. Probably divorced from 2nd wife, Helen, by that time. He and Helen had 3 children, Maxine and 2 boys.
(8)-1: Charles and Edith are buried in Chapin, IL Cemetery.
(9)-1: Text.

Text for Hulda Davis (RN=86)

Buried Chapin IL Cemetery (Between Bethel & Chapin on Rt. 67, Morgan Co., IL).

Thelma Brewer Gray, daughter of Edward Arlow Brewer, wrote in December 1984 that her mother, Margaret Ellen ("Ella") Daley Brewer, told her Hulda Davis had an illegitimate daughter, Elizabeth, 2 or 3 years before her marriage to Samuel Brewer. Elizabeth was probably raised by her Davis grandparents and died (in Childbirth?) young after having two sons. Thelma can't recall their last name but thinks they may have lived in or near Crosswell, White Co., in Southern Illinois.

In 1900 Census, Hulda is shown as 29 years married, the mother of 11 children with 9 children living.

Text for Martha ("Mae") Ellen Brewer (RN=88)

Martha ("Mae") had an illegitimate son, Porter Brewer, when she was 18. She married Warren McCarthy ca 1905. He worked in a carnival and disappeared. Arlow Brewer was in touch with his family in later years and knew that Warren was never heard from by his family again.

C. B. Myers was from Kentucky. Thelma Gray thinks his family trained or raced horses.

Mae's son, Porter, had son, Delbert. He was speed skating and struck his head on ice. Went in service in W.W. II. Stood in line for shots and collapsed and died before they could do anything to help him at Great Lakes, IL. Delbert had son, Porter Brewer, who had 2 children and lived in MI. Ida, Porter's wife, died in the 70's. Oma Brewer Bonds Capocasa said Delbert was being sworn into the service when he collapsed and died. Gov't didn't give family any insurance money to help them.

Text for Seth ("Tommy") Howard Brewer (RN=94)

Seth ("Tommy") and Rose Brewer had a son, "Junior", who was in W.W. II. He was wounded in Saint Lo and died later in England. He was buried in Cambridge, England, but later his remains were brought back home to Flint, MI for burial. Seth ("Tommy") is also buried in Flint.

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: John . . Lear (RN=191)
B: 11 Feb 1809 @ Franklin Co.,PA
M: 1828 @ PA
D: 21 May 1881 @ CooperstownTwpBrownCoIL
SEX: M
Father: Unknown Lear (RN=379)
Mother: Wife . . (RN=380)

Wife: Maria M. Richardson (RN=192)
B: c 1808 @ Bedford Co.,PA
D: 04 Dec 1888 @ CooperstownTwpBrownCoIL
SEX: F
Father: Joseph Richardson (RN=383)
Mother: Hannah Davis (RN=384)

CHILDREN

1 George W.(Washington?) Lear (RN=193)
B: 12 Jul 1829 @ PA
M: 27 Jan 1857 to Mary. . Gifford (RN=3361) @ _____ (Widowed)
RM: _____ to Mary. . Whited (RN=3362) @ _____
D: 16 Oct 1898 @ Brown Co.,IL
SEX: M

2 David A. Lear (RN=194)
B: c 1832 @ Broadtop Twp,Bedford Co.,PA
M: _____ to Rachel. . Hertori (RN=3363) @ _____
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: M

3 Joseph Richardson Lear (RN=195)
B: 05 Jan 1835 @ BroadtopTwpBedfordCo,PA
M: 28 Jan 1859 to Cassander. . Irwin (RN=3364) @ _____ (Widowed)
RM: 05 Apr 1871 to Elizabeth E. . Henry (RN=3365) @ _____
D: 06 Dec 1911 @ CooperstownTwpBrownCoIL
SEX: M

4 Hannah M. Lear (RN=196)
B: c 1839 @ Broadtop Twp,Bedford Co.,PA
M: 25 Oct 1860 to Hiram Barker Jr. (RN=3366) @ _____
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: F

5 Elizabeth Lear (RN=197)
B: c 1842 @ Broadtop Twp,Bedford Co.,PA
M: 1862 to John Gifford (RN=3367) @ _____
D: . . @ (Nebraska?)
SEX: F

6 Ann Maria Lear (RN=198)
B: c 1845 @ Broadtop Twp,Bedford Co.,PA
M: 12 Mar 1868 to Andrew Hill (RN=204) @ Brown Co., IL (Widowed)
RM: c 1874 to Octavius. . Dozier (RN=3360) @ Brown Co., IL
D: before 4 Dec 1880 @ Brown Co., IL
SEX: F

7 John G. Lear (RN=199)
B: Jul 1850 @ BroadtopTwpBedfordCo,Pa
M: c 1871 to Mary E. Logsdon (RN=3368) @ . .IL
D: 07 Feb 1880 @ CooperstownTwpBrownCoIL
SEX: M

8 Andrew Flenard Lear (RN=79)
B: 09 Mar 1852 @ BroadTopTwpBedfordCo,PA
M: after 1870 to Lavina Hill (RN=80) @ IL
D: 19 Oct 1916 @ Rushville,SchuylerCo,IL
SEX: M

9 William J. Lear (RN=200)
B: c 1855 @ CooperstownTwpBrownCo,IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: M

NOTES:
(H)-1: Text.
(W)-1: Maria could have been born in either county, and may have been born as early as 1806 although headstone indicates 1808.
(1)-1: George & Mary Gifford Lear marriage date and her name in "Brown Co., IL Marriages 1839-1861".
(1)-2: Buried with George in Cross Roads Cemetery: Mary Whited Lear b. 6 Oct 1822, d. 6 Sep 1902.
(5)-1: Marriage 1862 and John Gifford from LDS record.
(5)-2: Children's names, ages and birthplace taken from 1 June 1880 Fed. Census, Cooperstown twp., Brown Co., IL.
(6)-1: "Anamaria" in 1880 Brown Co., IL Census.
(7)-1: Text.
(8)-1: Child #5 & 6 per Andrew's obituary.
(8)-2: Text.

Text for John . . Lear (RN=191)

Obituary says John . . Lear had 11 children, of which eight survived him. We have found only 9 in censuses, etc.. One of censuses gave birthplace of John . . Lear as Maryland. Pennsylvania/Maryland border was changed in the Franklin County, PA, Blair Valley area so he could have been born in one state and had it change to another because of the state line change.

Text for John G. Lear (RN=199)

John G. Lear was shot in the head by his nephew, John Barker, son of his sister, Hannah Lear Barker. Group of men were shooting at targets after

drinking cider and were drunk. John Barker shot to welcome man coming to join group but instead gun dropped to his shoulder and he shot John G. Lear, standing behind him, in the temple-dead in five minutes. Before anyone could stop him he shot again and hit Barry Hardy in the same spot - he lived about an hour.

Text for Andrew Flenard Lear (RN=79)

George and Nellie Lear gave Margaret Lear Terrell names of earlier persons in the family tree. They gave Andrew Lear's middle name as Flenard -- spelled that way by George and seconded by Nellie. No one else has heard this name, and Andrew's middle initial in some legal papers from John and Maria Lear's records in Illinois gave Andrew's middle initial as "J" (probably under the impression that his name was "Andrew Jackson" as was common at that time). In the list "Maria Lear's Heirs" dated Jan 11, 1889 Andrew is listed as Andrew F. Lear! Andrew's wife, Levina Hill Anderson Lear, had been married to John W. Anderson and had three children by John-- Matilda, Dicey and James. Matilda Anderson married a Lizenbee and one of her male children had the middle name Flenard. (Andrew Lear was Matilda's stepfather.)
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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Henry Hill (RN=201)
B: 26 Mar 1816 @ IN
M: 02 Mar 1837 @ Schuyler Co.,IL
D: 14 Jan 1859 @ CooperstownTwpBrownCoIL
SEX: M
Father: Robert/Robin S. Hill/Hills (RN=388)
Mother: Elizabeth Angel (RN=389)

Wife: Rhodisa(Dicey) Davis (RN=202)
B: 29 Jan 1818 @ Claiborne Co.,TN
D: 25 Jul 1878 @ CooperstownTwpBrownCoIL
SEX: F
Father: Benjamin Davis (RN=398)
Mother: Lavina/Melvina/Vina Perry (RN=399)

CHILDREN

1 Eliza Hill (RN=203)
B: 07 Jan 1838 @ IL
M: 08 Oct 1857 to Thomas ("Hap") Hampton Davis (RN=225) @ Brown Co., IL
D: 21 Jan 1894 @ Schuyler Co., IL
SEX: F

2 Andrew Hill (RN=204)
B: 1840 @ IL
M: 12 Mar 1868 to Ann Maria Lear (RN=198) @ Brown Co., IL
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: M

3 Lavina Hill (RN=80)
B: 09 Sep 1841 @ near Mt. Sterling,IL
M: 1857 ? to John W. Anderson (RN=81) @ Brown Co.,IL (Widowed)
RM: after 1870 to Andrew Flenard Lear (RN=79) @ IL
D: 20 Aug 1922 @ OaklandTwpSchuylerCo,IL
SEX: F

4 Jonathan Hill (RN=205)
B: 1844 @ IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: M

5 Matilda Hill (RN=206)
B: 1847 @ IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: F

6 Elizabeth Hill (RN=207)
B: 1850 @ CooperstownTwpBrownCoIL
M: c 1873 to Gilbert B. Perry (RN=2904) @ Brown Co., IL
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: F

7 Charles William Hill (RN=208)
B: 1852 @ CooperstownTwpBrownCoIL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: M

8 Lucy Ann Hill (RN=209)
B: 1855 @ CooperstownTwpBrownCoIL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: F

NOTES:
(H)-1: Died before June 1, 1859 so not in 1860 Mortality Schedule.
(W)-1: Text.
(1)-1: Eliza born 1838. In 1839 Brown Co. was formed from that area. Buried Cross Roads Cemetery, Brown Co., IL.
(6)-1: Both buried in Perry Cemetery, Cooperstown Twp, Brown Co. Cemeteries of Brown County, Il. book says "Stone unreadable" for both.

Text for Rhodisa (Dicey) Davis Hill (RN=202).

Brown Co., IL Newspaper, August 17, 1878: Died at her residence, 4 mi. E. of Hersman, of consumption, Mrs. Desy [Dicey] Hills, wife of Henry Hills, deceased, after a confined illness of several months. She leaves a large family of children and many friends to mourn her death. [Death date from other records: 25 July 1878].

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: George W.(Washington?) Brewer (RN=210)
B: 1799 @ Randolph Co.,NC
M: . . @ NC
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Elizabeth Hedrick (RN=211)
B: 1805 @ Davidson Co.,NC
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

CHILDREN

1 (Possible) Brewer (RN=212)
B: . . @ . .. .
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: M

2 Mary (Polly) L. Brewer (RN=213)
B: 27 Oct 1826 @ Davidson Co., NC
M: 04 Dec 1851 to Seth Lanier (RN=3369) @ Brown Co., IL
D: 08 Mar 1903 @ Brown Co., IL
SEX: F

3 Lundy Brewer (RN=214)
B: c 1829 @ Randolph Co.,NC
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: F

4 Lucinda Brewer (RN=215)
B: c 1834 @ Randolph Co.,NC
M: 12 Jun 1851 to Robert Davis (RN=220) @ . .IL
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: F

5 Edom Wood Brewer (RN=216)
B: 22 May 1838 @ Davidson Co.,NC
M: _____ to Nancy Evelyn Davis (RN=227) @ _____
D: 21 Oct 1897 @ Brown Co.,IL
SEX: M

6 (Samuel) George Brewer (RN=85)
B: 27 Mar 1844 @ Davidson Co.,NC
M: 07 Feb 1871 to Hulda Davis (RN=86) @ Mt.Sterling,Brown Co,IL
D: 30 Sep 1927 @ Chapin,Morgan Co.,IL
SEX: M

7 William Franklin Brewer (RN=217)
B: 21 Oct 1848 @ Salisbury, NC
M: 01 Oct 1874 to Martha E. Drake (RN=3370) @ Jacksonville, IL
D: 05 Nov 1906 @ Little Rock, AR
SEX: M

NOTES:
(H)-1: Birthdate and place taken from 1850 Davie County, North Carolina Federal Census, pg. 424, visit 760/760.
(W)-1: Birthdate and place taken from 1850 Davie County, North Carolina Federal Census, pg. 424, visit 760/760.
(W)-2: Davidson Co., NC formed from Rowan Co., NC in 1822. At Elizabeth Hedrick's birth in 1805 birthplace would have to be Rowan Co., NC.
(2)-1: Mary Brewer and Seth Lanier are buried Gilbird's Cemetery, Brown Co., IL.
(5)-1: Thelma Brewer Gray told Margaret Lear Terrell "Grandpa Brewer's brother married Grandma Brewer's sister" (RN=216 and RN=227). This is the couple who are buried in Cross Roads Cemetery, Brown Co., IL.
(5)-2: Edom W. and Nancy E. Brewer buried Crossroads Cemetery, Brown Co., IL.
(6)-1: 1850 Davie County, North Carolina Federal Census, pg. 424, visit 760/760 says: George Brewer, age 7, male, born Davie Co., North Carolina.
(6)-2: Buried Chapin, IL Cemetery (Between Bethel & Chapin on Rt. 67, Morgan Co., IL).
(6)-3: Civil War Veteran: Co. H, 137th Illinois Infantry, May 24 to September 24, 1864.
(7)-1: Salisbury is County Seat of Rowan Co., NC.
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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Thomas Hampton Davis (RN=218)
B: 09 Jan 1806 @ Davidson Co.,NC
M: c 1825 @ NC
D: 18 Nov 1890 @ Versailles,Brown Co.,IL
SEX: M
Father: John/James Robert(?) Davis (RN=3371)
Mother: Susan Williams(?) (RN=3372)

Wife: Nancy Eroline Hedrick (RN=219)
B: 31 May 1806 @ Davidson Co., NC
D: 23 Dec 1893 @ Versailles,Brown Co.,IL
SEX: F
Father: John Hedrick (RN=3373)
Mother: Ellendor Agusta Edwards (RN=3374)

CHILDREN

1 Robert Davis (RN=220)
B: c 1826 @ NC
M: 12 Jun 1851 to Lucinda Brewer (RN=215) @ . .IL
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: M

2 John Davis (RN=221)
B: c 1827 @ NC
M: c 1857 to . . Trusdale (RN=3447) @ _____ (Widowed)
RM: c 1865 to Mary A. . . (RN=3448) @ _____
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: M

3 Obediah Davis (RN=222)
B: 1829 @ NC
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ (Widowed)
RM: _____ to Matilda . . (RN=3449) @ _____
D: 27 Dec 1891 @ . .. .
SEX: M

4 Smith Davis (RN=223)
B: c 1830 @ NC
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: M

5 Sharlotte Davis (RN=224)
B: c 1832 @ NC
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: F

6 Thomas ("Hap") Hampton Davis (RN=225)
B: 02 Sep 1833 @ Davidson Co.,NC
M: 08 Oct 1857 to Eliza Hill (RN=203) @ Brown Co., IL (Widowed)
D: 11 Oct 1904 @ Brown Co., IL
SEX: M

7 Susan Davis (RN=226)
B: c 1836 @ Brown Co., IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: F

8 Nancy Evelyn Davis (RN=227)
B: 06 Jan 1839 @ Brown Co., IL
M: _____ to Edom Wood Brewer (RN=216) @ _____ (Widowed)
D: 21 Feb 1903 @ Brown Co.,IL
SEX: F

9 Ellen Davis (RN=228)
B: c 1841 @ Brown Co., IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: F

10 James Davis (RN=229)
B: 28 Feb 1846 @ Brown Co., IL
M: _____ to Sarah E. Williams (RN=3375) @ _____
D: 09 Aug 1919 @ IL
SEX: M

11 Hulda Davis (RN=86)
B: 25 Jul 1849 @ Versailles,Brown Co.,IL
M: 07 Feb 1871 to (Samuel) George Brewer (RN=85) @ Mt.Sterling,Brown Co,IL
D: 26 Oct 1927 @ Chapin,Morgan Co,IL
SEX: F

NOTES:
(W)-1: Text.
(2)-1: Isaac Trusdale (brother-in-law) living with family in 1880 Census. Brother of 1st wife?
(6)-1: Thomas and Eliza Hill Davis are buried in Cross Roads Cemetery, Brown Co., IL.
(11)-1: Text.

Text for Nancy Eroline Hedrick Davis (RN=219).

Taken from Vol XI No. 4. Winter 1993 Issue of Versailles Area Genealogical & Historical Society "Excerpts taken from Versailles Sentinel & Brown Co., Democrat Message papers":

> "Dec 23, 1893: Died Dec 23 at the home of her daughter, Mrs. George [Hulda] Brewer, Mrs. Nancy Davis, consort of the late Thomas Davis, Age 84. Born in Davidson Co., N.C. 1806. Came to Brown Co., [IL] in 1835."

Text for Hulda Davis (RN=86)

Buried Chapin IL Cemetery (Between Bethel & Chapin on Rt. 67, Morgan Co., IL).

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In 1900 Census, Hulda is shown as 29 years married, the mother of 11 children with 9 children living.

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Unknown Lear (RN=379)
B: . . @ . .. .
M: . . @ . .
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Wife . . (RN=380)
B: . . @ . .. .
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

CHILDREN

1 John . . Lear (RN=191)
B: 11 Feb 1809 @ Franklin Co.,PA
M: 1828 to Maria M. Richardson (RN=192) @ PA
D: 21 May 1881 @ CooperstownTwpBrownCoIL
SEX: M

NOTES:
(1)-1: Text.

Text for John . . Lear (RN=191)

Obituary says John . . Lear had 11 children, of which eight survived him. We have found only 9 in censuses, etc.. One of censuses gave birthplace of John . . Lear as Maryland. Pennsylvania/Maryland border was changed in the Franklin County, PA, Blair Valley area so he could have been born in one state and had it change to another because of the state line change.
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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Joseph Richardson (RN=383)
B: c 1784 @ . .(Ireland ?)
M: c 1804 @ . .
D: 1822 @ Bedford Co.,PA
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Hannah Davis (RN=384)
B: c 1784 @ . .. .
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

CHILDREN

1 Thomas Jefferson Richardson (RN=385)
B: 1805 @ Huntington Co.?,PA
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: M

2 Maria M. Richardson (RN=192)
B: c 1808 @ Bedford Co.,PA
M: 1828 to John . . Lear (RN=191) @ PA
D: 04 Dec 1888 @ CooperstownTwpBrownCoIL
SEX: F

3 James Madison Richardson (RN=414)
B: 04 Mar 1809 @ Bedford Co., PA
Single
D: 1860 @ Bedford Co., PA
SEX: M

4 Joseph Richardson Jr. (RN=416)
B: 11 Jun 1811 @ Bedford Co., PA
M: c 1836 to Elizabeth H. (Lear ?) (RN=3376) @ _____
D: 29 Dec 1861 @ Fulton Co., PA
SEX: M

5 Richard (Dick) Richardson (RN=415)
B: c 1813 @ Bedford Co., PA
Single
D: 26 Oct 1832 @ Bedford Co., PA
SEX: M

6 John . . Richardson (RN=2298)
B: c 1815 . @ . .. .
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ . .. .
SEX: M

7 Hannah . . Richardson (RN=2299)
B: c 1817 @ . .. .
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ . .. .
SEX: F

8 Davis . . Richardson (RN=2300)
B: c 1819 @ . .. .
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ . .. .
SEX: M

NOTES:

(H)-1: Joseph Richardson was in Broadtop settlement about 1808. Before that he was in Huntingdon County, PA.
(H)-2: Maria Richardson Lear gave father's birthplace as Ireland in ____ Census.
(W)-1: Foster Scrapbook said mother and 3 children died of flu but Joseph died and left Hannah with 8 children according to Orphan Court, Bedford Co., PA records.
(W)-2: Foster Scrapbook: Hannah had brother, Zacharia Davis, who owned one of highest farms on Broadtop -- in 1807 called "Zacharia's Improvement".
(2)-1: Maria could have been born in either county, and may have been born as early as 1806 although headstone indicates 1808.
(3)-1: James M. Richardson killed by train in 1860, unmarried.
(4)-1: Name appears as Richardson, Richeson, Richison etc. Richison on Tombstone, Wells Valley Chapel Cemetery, Fulton Co., PA where Joseph, Elizabeth & daughter, Mary, are buried.
(4)-2: Also buried in Cemetery was Dick Richardson who died April 28, 1840. Dick could be another son of Joseph and Elizabeth.
(5)-1: Richard Richardson was knifed to death by Archibald McFarland on 26 Oct 1832, Providence Twp., Bedford Co., PA. Unmarried.

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Robert/Robin S. Hill/Hills (RN=388)
B: 08 Jul 1795 @ NC/TN
M: 02 Jan 1814 @ ElizabethtownHardinCoKY
D: 08 Nov 1866 @ Brown Co.,IL
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Elizabeth Angel (RN=389)
B: 1795 @ NC
D: 07 Sep 1871 @ Brown Co.,IL
SEX: F
Father: John Angel (RN=1991)
Mother: wife . . (RN=1992)

CHILDREN

1 Lucinda Hill/Hills (RN=390)
B: 05 Nov 1814 @ KY
M: 1833 to Bradford Worthington (RN=3378) @ _____
D: 27 Aug 1845 @ Brown Co., IL
SEX: F

2 Henry Hill (RN=201)
B: 26 Mar 1816 @ IN
M: 02 Mar 1837 to Rhodisa(Dicey) Davis (RN=202) @ Schuyler Co.,IL
D: 14 Jan 1859 @ CooperstownTwpBrownCoIL
SEX: M

3 Eliza Hill/Hills (RN=392)
B: 25 Jun 1821 @ Perry Co.,IN
M: 24 Dec 1840 to James Perry (RN=3377) @ Brown Co., IL
D: 08 Apr 1897 @ Brown Co., IL
SEX: F

4 Jonathan Hill/Hills (RN=393)
B: 01 Aug 1827 @ Brown Co.,IL
Single
D: 02 Jan 1843 @ Buried Perry Cemetery
SEX: M

5 Elizabeth Hill/Hills (RN=394)
B: 1828 @ . .. .
M: 13 May 1848 to Asa DeWitt (RN=3379) @ _____
D: 03 Oct 1851 @ Buried Perry Cemetery
SEX: F

6 Martha (Patsy) Hill/Hills (RN=395)
B: 09 Dec 1830 @ Brown Co.,IL
M: Apr 1851 to Francis Marion Perry (RN=3380) @ _____
D: 12 Mar 1905 @ Buried Perry Cemetery
SEX: F

7 Almira Hill/Hills (RN=396)
B: 25 Nov 1832 @ Brown Co.,IL
M: _____ to Bryant Breeden Vance (RN=3381) @ _____
D: 17 Sep 1909 @ Buried Perry Cemetery
SEX: F

8 Charles Hill/Hills (RN=397)
B: 14 Nov 1834 @ Hersman, IL
M: _____ to Rebecca Jane Farrington (RN=3382) @ _____ (Widowed)
RM: 09 Jan 1878 to Laura Ella Broadwell (RN=3383) @ . .IL (Widowed)
RM: _____ to Lizzie W. Irwin (RN=3384) @ _____
D: 18 Oct 1894 @ Mt. Sterling, IL
SEX: M

NOTES:
(H)-1: 'Robin' Hills, 1850 Census. Buried Perry Cemetery, Brown Co.,IL. Veteran War of 1812. Received Pension & Bounty Land. Fought at Battle of New Orleans.
(W)-1: Buried Perry Cemetery, Brown Co.,IL.
(1)-1: Buried Perry Cemetery, Brown Co., IL.
(2)-1: Died before June 1, 1859 so not in 1860 Mortality Schedule.
(3)-1: Eliza and James Perry buried in Perry Cemetery, Brown Co., IL.

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Benjamin Davis (RN=398)
B: c 1795 @ TN [State:1796]
M: c 1815 @ Claiborne Co.,TN
D: 09 Feb 1872 @ Brown Co.,IL
SEX: M
Father: Elnathan Davis (RN=1993)
Mother: Rebecca Brooks (RN=1994)

Wife: Lavina/Melvina/Vina Perry (RN=399)
B: c 1796 @ NC/SC
D: c 1867 @ Brown Co.,IL
SEX: F
Father: Nathan Perry (RN=1995)
Mother: Rebecca Yarborough/Yarberry/Yarbrey (RN=1996)

CHILDREN

1 Elizabeth (Betsy) Davis (RN=391)
B: c 1816 @ . .. .
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: F

2 Rhodisa(Dicey) Davis (RN=202)
B: 29 Jan 1818 @ Claiborne Co.,TN
M: 02 Mar 1837 to Henry Hill (RN=201) @ Schuyler Co.,IL
D: 25 Jul 1878 @ CooperstownTwpBrownCoIL
SEX: F

3 Sally Davis (RN=400)
B: c 1819 @ . .. .
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: F

4 Nelson Davis (RN=401)
B: 01 Jun 1820 @ . .. .
M: _____ to Elizabeth . . (RN=3385) @ _____
D: 07 Jul 1898 @ Buried Perry Cemetery
SEX: M

5 Prior Davis (RN=402)
B: 20 Jan 1822 @ . .. .
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: 29 May 1905 @ . .. .
SEX: M

6 Polly Davis (RN=403)
B: . . @ . .. .
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: F

7 Caswell Davis (RN=404)
B: 1824 @ . .. .
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: 25 Nov 1865 @ . .. .
SEX: M

8 Rebecca (Becky) Davis (RN=405)
B: 1827 @ . .. .
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: F

9 Andrew Davis (RN=406)
B: 06 Aug 1831 @ . .. .
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: 30 Aug 1909 @ . .. .
SEX: M

10 Sennie Davis (RN=407)
B: . . @ . .. .
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: F

11 William Davis (RN=408)
B: c 1830 @ . .. .
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: M

12 James R. Davis (RN=409)
B: 02 May 1832 @ . .. .
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: 02 Jul 1870 @ . .. .
SEX: M

13 Hampton Davis (RN=410)
B: c 1834 @ . .. .
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: M

14 Stanley Walker Davis (RN=411)
B: c 1835 @ . .. .
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: M

CHILDREN

15 Lucy Davis (RN=412)
B: c 1838 @ . .. .
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: F

16 Anna Davis (RN=413)
B: 09 May 1839 @ . .. .
M: c 1861 to Marion Grover (RN=3450) @ . .IL
D: 02 Feb 1927 @ . .. .
SEX: F

NOTES:
(2)-1: Text.

Text for Rhodisa (Dicey) Davis Hill (RN=202).

Brown Co., IL Newspaper, August 17, 1878: Died at her residence, 4 mi. E. of Hersman, of consumption, Mrs. Desy [Dicey] Hills, wife of Henry Hills, deceased, after a confined illness of several months. She leaves a large family of children and many friends to mourn her death. [Death date from other records: 25 July 1878].
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Family Group Sheet

Husband: John/James Robert(?) Davis (RN=3371)
B: _____ @ . .NC
M: _____ @ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Susan Williams(?) (RN=3372)
B: _____ @ . .NC
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

CHILDREN

1 Thomas Hampton Davis (RN=218)
B: 09 Jan 1806 @ Davidson Co.,NC
M: c 1825 to Nancy Eroline Hedrick (RN=219) @ NC
D: 18 Nov 1890 @ Versailles,Brown Co.,IL
SEX: M

NOTES:
(H)-1: 1880 Census - Thomas Hampton Davis father born NC.
(W)-1: 1880 Census - Thomas Hampton Davis mother born NC.

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: John Hedrick (RN=3373)
B: _____ @ . .NC
M: _____ @ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Ellendor Agusta Edwards (RN=3374)
B: _____ @ . .NC
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

CHILDREN

1 Nancy Eroline Hedrick (RN=219)
B: 31 May 1806 @ Davidson Co., NC
M: c 1825 to Thomas Hampton Davis (RN=218) @ NC
D: 23 Dec 1893 @ Versailles,Brown Co.,IL
SEX: F

NOTES:
(H)-1: 1880 Census - Nancy Hedrick Davis father born NC.
(W)-1: 1880 Census - Nancy Hedrick Davis mother born NC.
(1)-1: Text.

Text for Nancy Eroline Hedrick Davis (RN=219).

Taken from Vol XI No. 4. Winter 1993 Issue of Versailles Area Genealogical & Historical Society "Excerpts taken from Versailles Sentinel & Brown Co., Democrat Message papers":

"Dec 23, 1893: Died Dec 23 at the home of her daughter, Mrs. George [Hulda] Brewer, Mrs. Nancy Davis, consort of the late Thomas Davis, Age 84. Born in Davidson Co., N.C. 1806. Came to Brown Co., [IL] in 1835."

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: John Angel (RN=1991)
B: . . @ . .. .
M: . . @ . .
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: wife . . (RN=1992)
B: . . @ . .. .
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

CHILDREN

1 Elizabeth Angel (RN=389)
B: 1795 @ NC
M: 02 Jan 1814 to Robert/Robin S. Hill/Hills (RN=388) @ ElizabethtownHardinCoKY
D: 07 Sep 1871 @ Brown Co.,IL
SEX: F

NOTES:
(1)-1: Buried Perry Cemetery, Brown Co.,IL.

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Elnathan Davis (RN=1993)
B: . . @ . .. .
M: . . @ . .
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Rebecca Brooks (RN=1994)
B: . . @ . .. .
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

CHILDREN

1 Benjamin Davis (RN=398)
B: c 1795 @ TN [State:1796]
M: c 1815 to Lavina/Melvina/Vina Perry (RN=399) @ Claiborne Co.,TN
D: 09 Feb 1872 @ Brown Co.,IL
SEX: M

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Nathan Perry (RN=1995)
B: . . @ . .. .
M: . . @ . .
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Rebecca Yarborough/Yarberry/Yarbrey (RN=1996)
B: . . @ . .. .
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

CHILDREN

1 Lavina/Melvina/Vina Perry (RN=399)
B: c 1796 @ NC/SC
M: c 1815 to Benjamin Davis (RN=398) @ Claiborne Co.,TN
D: c 1867 @ Brown Co.,IL
SEX: F

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Mark Owen Lamon (RN=308)
B: 19 May 1956 @ Hospital-Watertown,NY
M: 17 Mar 1979 @ Thousand Is. Park,NY
Living @ Killingworth,CT
SEX: M
Father: Gilbert Roger Lamon (RN=2872)
Mother: Marion. . Walwrath (RN=2873)

Wife: June Ellen Lear (RN=304)
B: 20 Jun 1952 @ Hospital-Cortland,NY
Living @ Skaneateles,NY
SEX: F
Father: Wayne Arden Lear (RN=27)
Mother: Marion Dabley Ferris (RN=303)

CHILDREN

1 Kristen Marie Lamon (RN=310)
B: 16 Jan 1985 @ Crouse Hosp,Syracuse,NY
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
Living @ Skaneateles,NY
SEX: F

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: James Byron Dale III (RN=311)
B: 13 May 1956 @ Buffalo,NY
M: 16 Nov 1984 @ St.Mary's,SkaneatelesNY
Living @ Skaneateles,NY
SEX: M
Father: James Byron Dale Jr. (RN=2859)
Mother: Phyllis. . Stanton (RN=2860)

Wife: April Elaine Lear (RN=305)
B: 01 May 1956 @ Hospital-Cortland,NY
Living @ Skaneateles,NY
SEX: F
Father: Wayne Arden Lear (RN=27)
Mother: Marion Dabley Ferris (RN=303)

No Children

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Leslie James Milne Jr. (RN=312)
B: 10 Oct 1951 @ Hospital-Plymouth,MA
M: 04 Apr 1981 @ St.Joseph Ch,CamillusNY
Living @ Skaneateles,NY
SEX: M
Father: Leslie James Milne Sr. (RN=2874)
Mother: Kristi. . Leppanne (RN=2875)

Wife: Lori Ann Lear (RN=306)
B: 05 Oct 1958 @ Hospital-Auburn,NY
Living @ Skaneateles,NY
SEX: F
Father: Wayne Arden Lear (RN=27)
Mother: Marion Dabley Ferris (RN=303)

CHILDREN

1 Adam James Milne (RN=329)
B: 21 Feb 1983 @ Hospital-Abington,PA
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
Living @ Skaneateles,NY
SEX: M

2 Claire Elizabeth Milne (RN=330)
B: 08 May 1987 @ Crouse Hosp,Syracuse,NY
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
Living @ Skaneateles,NY
SEX: F

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Otto. . Meier (RN=313)
B: 13 Jan 1962 @ Utica,NY
M: 03 May 1986 @ St.Mary's,SkaneatelesNY
Living @ Syracuse,NY
SEX: M
Father: Otto H. . Meier (RN=2861)
Mother: Shirley. . Lyons (RN=2862)

Wife: Mary Jane Lear (RN=307)
B: 03 Apr 1962 @ Hospital-Auburn,NY
Living @ Syracuse,NY
SEX: F
Father: Wayne Arden Lear (RN=27)
Mother: Marion Dabley Ferris (RN=303)

No Children

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Kirk Alan Lear (RN=332)
B: 11 Jul 1964 @ Ideal Hosp.,Endwell,NY
M: 16 Sep 1989 @ Sacramento,CA
Living @ Jacksonville, AR
SEX: M
Father: Roger Edgar Lear (RN=28)
Mother: Ann Louise Severn (RN=331)

Wife: Susan Dianna Peterson (RN=336)
B: . . @ . .. .
Living @ Jacksonville, AR
SEX: F
Father: Arnold Goldberg (RN=3386)
Mother: Frances. . . (RN=2864)

CHILDREN

1 Trevor Ryan Lear (RN=440)
B: 01 Sep 1993 @ Fayetteville, NC
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
Living @ Jacksonville, AR
SEX: M

NOTES:
(W)-1: Susan's biological father is Arnold Goldberg (RN=3386). Susan was adopted by her mother's (RN=2864) second husband, . . Peterson (RN=2863).

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Kevin Kaegy (RN=3406)
B: _____ @ _____
M: _____ @ _____
Living @ Greenville, IL
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Patricia L. Gregory (RN=3405)
B: _____ @ _____
Living @ Greenville, IL
SEX: F
Father: . . Gregory (RN=3404)
Mother: Judith Irene Gibbs (RN=1494)

CHILDREN

1 Beth Ann Kaegy (RN=3407)
B: Sep 1990 @ _____
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
Living @ Greenville, IL
SEX: F

2 Nathan . . Kaegy (RN=3408)
B: _____ @ _____
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
Living @ Greenville, IL
SEX: M

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: James Timothy Bunting (RN=1512)
B: . . @ . .. .
M: 06 Aug 1970 @ . .
Living @ TN
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Vicky Lynn McAllister (RN=1510)
B: 25 Nov 1952 @ . .. .
Living @ TN
SEX: F
Father: (Robert) Dean McAllister (RN=1502)
Mother: Bonnie Mae Johnson (RN=1509)

CHILDREN

1 James Robert Bunting (RN=1513)
B: 04 Mar 1971 @ . .. .
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
Living @ TN
SEX: M

2 Tammy Christine Bunting (RN=3392)
B: 29 Oct 1974 @ TN
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
Living @ TN
SEX: F

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Wayne Arden Lear (RN=27)
B: 27 Jun 1928 @ Hospital-Cortland,NY
M: 19 Nov 1951 @ M.E.Parsonage,Virgil,NY
Living @ Skaneateles,NY
SEX: M
Father: George Andrew Lear (RN=25)
Mother: Daisy May Ward (RN=26)

Wife: Marion Dabley Ferris (RN=303)
B: 23 May 1929 @ Hospital-Cortland,NY
Living @ Skaneateles,NY
SEX: F
Father: Salem (Sam) Ferris (RN=2256)
Mother: Mazera. . Abdallah (RN=2257)

CHILDREN

1 June Ellen Lear (RN=304)
B: 20 Jun 1952 @ Hospital-Cortland,NY
M: 17 Mar 1979 to Mark Owen Lamon (RN=308) @ Thousand Is. Park,NY (Divorced)
Living @ Skaneateles,NY
SEX: F

2 April Elaine Lear (RN=305)
B: 01 May 1956 @ Hospital-Cortland,NY
M: 16 Nov 1984 to James Byron Dale III (RN=311) @ St.Mary's,SkaneatelesNY
Living @ Skaneateles,NY
SEX: F

CHILDREN

3 Lori Ann Lear (RN=306)
B: 05 Oct 1958 @ Hospital-Auburn,NY
M: 04 Apr 1981 to Leslie James Milne Jr. (RN=312) @ St.Joseph Ch,CamillusNY
Living @ Skaneateles,NY
SEX: F

4 Mary Jane Lear (RN=307)
B: 03 Apr 1962 @ Hospital-Auburn,NY
M: 03 May 1986 to Otto. . Meier (RN=313) @ St.Mary's,SkaneatelesNY
Living @ Syracuse,NY
SEX: F

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Roger Edgar Lear (RN=28)
B: 06 Apr 1936 @ home-Virgil,NY
M: 15 Oct 1960 @ Bapt.Church,Vestal,NY
Living @ Cary, N.C.
SEX: M
Father: George Andrew Lear (RN=25)
Mother: Daisy May Ward (RN=26)

Wife: Ann Louise Severn (RN=331)
B: 21 Jul 1938 @ Seneca Falls,NY
Living @ Cary,NC
SEX: F
Father: Harold Hartwell Severn (RN=2264)
Mother: Helen. . Freeman (RN=2265)

CHILDREN

1 Kirk Alan Lear (RN=332)
B: 11 Jul 1964 @ Ideal Hosp.,Endwell,NY
M: 16 Sep 1989 to Susan Dianna Peterson (RN=336) @ Sacramento,CA
Living @ Jacksonville, AR
SEX: M

2 Kyle Eric Lear (RN=335)
B: 09 Apr 1967 @ Raleigh,NC
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
Living @ Cary,NC
SEX: M

NOTES:
(2)-1: Kyle is in the U.S. Army and won't have a permanent address so will leave him living in Cary,NC with Roger & Ann until he's longer at one location.

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Dale Everett Lear (RN=29)
B: 14 Nov 1938 @ W.State Rd.,Virgil,NY
M: 28 Nov 1964 @ Lutheran Ch.,Merrick,NY
Living @ Wilmington,NC
SEX: M
Father: George Andrew Lear (RN=25)
Mother: Daisy May Ward (RN=26)

Wife: Kathleen "Kathi" Doris Radl (RN=337)
B: 13 Nov 1939 @ . .. .
Living @ Wilmington,NC
SEX: F
Father: Rudolph. . Radl (RN=2268)
Mother: Anna. . . . (RN=2269)

CHILDREN

1 Dianna Lynn Lear (RN=338)
B: 08 Apr 1967 @ Falls Church,VA
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
Living @ Portland,ME
SEX: F

2 Pamela Jean Lear (RN=341)
B: 13 Apr 1968 @ Bowie,MD
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
Living @ Portland,ME
SEX: F

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Floyd Allen Lear (RN=1469)
B: 29 Jun 1918 @ . .. .
M: . . @ . .
D: 24 May 1986 @ Fort Walton, Florida
SEX: M
Father: Ford Edgar Lear (RN=39)
Mother: Florence Isabel(Belle) Lung (RN=1468)
Other Marriages 2: Florence. . . . (RN=1474)

Wife: Mary June . . (RN=2574)
B: . . @ . .
D: _____ @ . .
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

No Children

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Floyd Allen Lear (RN=1469)
B: 29 Jun 1918 @ . .
M: . . @ .
D: 24 May 1986 @ Fort Walton, Florida
SEX: M
Father: Ford Edgar Lear (RN=39)
Mother: Florence Isabel(Belle) Lung (RN=1468)
Other Marriages 1: Mary June . . (RN=2574)

Wife: Florence. . . . (RN=1474)
B: . . @ . .
D: 27 Feb 1991 @ . .
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

No Children

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Robert Edgar Lear (RN=1470)
B: 30 Nov 1920 @ Flint, Genesee Co.,MI
M: . . @ .
Living @ Flint, MI
SEX: M
Father: Ford Edgar Lear (RN=39)
Mother: Florence Isabel(Belle) Lung (RN=1468)

Wife: Ruth. . . . (RN=1475)
B: 25 Jul 1922 @ . .. .
D: 18 Jul 1973 @ Flint, MI
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

CHILDREN

1 Nancy. . Lear (RN=1476)
B: 27 May 1944 @ Flint, MI
Single
Living @ Flint, MI
SEX: F

2 Dale. . Lear (RN=1477)
B: 24 Aug 1949 @ Flint, MI
M: . . to . .. . . (RN=2577) @ . .
Living @ Flint, MI
SEX: M

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Donald Roy Lear Sr. (RN=1471)
B: 09 Dec 1926 @ Flint,Genesee Co.,MI
M: . . @ . .
D: 14 May 1978 @ . .Alabama
SEX: M
Father: Ford Edgar Lear (RN=39)
Mother: Florence Isabel(Belle) Lung (RN=1468)

Wife: . .. . . (RN=1478)
B: . . @ . .. .
Living @ . .. .
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

CHILDREN

1 Donna Jean Lear (RN=2586)
B: . . @ . .. .
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
Living @ . .. .
SEX: F

2 Kathy. . Lear (RN=2587)
B: . . @ . .. .
M: . . to . .. . Dickell (RN=2588) @ . .
Living @ Bland, MO
SEX: F

3 Donald Roy Lear Jr. (RN=2589)
B: . . @ . .
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
Living @ . .
SEX: M

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: George Albert Lear Sr. (RN=1472)
B: 18 Jul 1932 @ Flint,Genesee Co.,MI
M: . . @ . .
D: 22 Feb 1990 @ . .
SEX: M
Father: Ford Edgar Lear (RN=39)
Mother: Florence Isabel(Belle) Lung (RN=1468)

Wife: . . . . (RN=1479)
B: . . @ . .
Living @ . .
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

CHILDREN

1 Sharon. . Lear (RN=2590)
B: . . @ . .
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
Living @ . .
SEX: F

2 Kay. . Lear (RN=2591)
B: . . @ . .
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
Living @ . .
SEX: F

3 George Albert Lear Jr. (RN=2592)
B: . . @ . .
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
Living @ . .
SEX: M

4 Janie. . Lear (RN=2593)
B: . . @ . .
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
Living @ . .
SEX: F

5 Steve. . Lear (RN=2594)
B: . . @ . .. .
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
Living @ . .. .
SEX: M

6 David. . Lear (RN=2595)
B: . . @ . .. .
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
Living @ . .. .
SEX: M

7 Rachel. . Lear (RN=2596)
B: . . @ . .. .
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
Living @ . .. .
SEX: F

8 Niomi. . Lear (RN=2597)
B: . . @ . .. .
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
Living @ . .. .
SEX: F

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Richard. . Moser (RN=2882)
B: _____ @ _____
M: _____ @ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Marlyn Jean Grady (RN=1782)
B: 1933 @ . .. .
Living @ Wisconsin Rapids,WI
SEX: F
Father: Guy. . Grady (RN=1481)
Mother: Elsie Marie Lear (RN=41)

NUMBER OF CHILDREN: Unknown

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: William Edward Cannon (RN=1483)
B: 02 Feb 1925 @ . .IL
M: 06 Mar 1965 @ . .
D: 12 May 1983 @ Jacksonville,IL
SEX: M
Father: Jesse Lee Cannon (RN=1482)
Mother: Hulda(Lee) Levina Lear (RN=42)

Wife: Donna Caroline Bennett (RN=1488)
B: . . @ . .. .
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

No Children

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Charles. . Bruce (RN=1489)
B: . . @ . .. .
M: 23 Sep 1950 @ . .IL
Living @ Roodhouse,IL
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Betty Ann Cannon (RN=1484)
B: 10 Dec 1932 @ IL
Living @ Roodhouse,IL
SEX: F
Father: Jesse Lee Cannon (RN=1482)
Mother: Hulda(Lee) Levina Lear (RN=42)

CHILDREN

1 Gregory Lee Bruce (RN=1490)
B: 11 Aug 1951 @ . .. .
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: 198_ @ . .. .
SEX: M

2 Sheryl Faye Bruce (RN=1491)
B: 07 Mar 1955 @ . .. .
M: _____ to Robert . . LaKamp (RN=3390) @ _____
Living @ Jacksonville, IL
SEX: F

NOTES:
(2)-1: Sheryl Faye Bruce . . (RN=1491) and husband, Robert . . (RN=3390), have 3 children: Alex born 1984, Jessica born 1988 and Nicholas born 1992.
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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Harold. . Bainbridge (RN=2883)
B: _____ @ _____
M: Mar 1953 @ . .
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Bonnie Gail Cannon (RN=1485)
B: 29 Mar 1934 @ IL
Living @ Jacksonville,IL
SEX: F
Father: Jesse Lee Cannon (RN=1482)
Mother: Hulda(Lee) Levina Lear (RN=42)
Other Marriages 2: Milton. . Henson (RN=2884), 3: Robert. . Dishno (RN=2885), 4: Kenneth. . Stice (RN=1492)

No Children

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Milton. . Henson (RN=2884)
B: _____ @ _____
M: . . @ . .
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Bonnie Gail Cannon (RN=1485)
B: 29 Mar 1934 @ IL
Living @ Jacksonville,IL
SEX: F
Father: Jesse Lee Cannon (RN=1482)
Mother: Hulda(Lee) Levina Lear (RN=42)
Other Marriages 1: Harold. . Bainbridge (RN=2883), 3: Robert. . Dishno (RN=2885), 4: Kenneth. . Stice (RN=1492)

No Children

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Robert. . Dishno (RN=2885)
B: _____ @ _____
M: _____ @ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Bonnie Gail Cannon (RN=1485)
B: 29 Mar 1934 @ IL
Living @ Jacksonville,IL
SEX: F
Father: Jesse Lee Cannon (RN=1482)
Mother: Hulda(Lee) Levina Lear (RN=42)
Other Marriages 1: Harold. . Bainbridge (RN=2883), 2: Milton. . Henson (RN=2884), 4: Kenneth. . Stice (RN=1492)

No Children

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Kenneth. . Stice (RN=1492)
B: . . @ . .. .
M: . . @ . .
Living @ Jacksonville,IL
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Bonnie Gail Cannon (RN=1485)
B: 29 Mar 1934 @ IL
Living @ Jacksonville,IL
SEX: F
Father: Jesse Lee Cannon (RN=1482)
Mother: Hulda(Lee) Levina Lear (RN=42)
Other Marriages 1: Harold. . Bainbridge (RN=2883), 2: Milton. .
Henson (RN=2884), 3: Robert. . Dishno (RN=2885)

No Children

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: David Lee Cannon (RN=1486)
B: 28 Feb 1937 @ Bluffs, IL
M: 16 Sep 1961 @ . .
D: 23 Nov 1994 @ Springfield, IL Hospital
SEX: M
Father: Jesse Lee Cannon (RN=1482)
Mother: Hulda(Lee) Levina Lear (RN=42)
Other Marriages 2: Judith Irene Gibbs (RN=1494)

Wife: Dolores Marie Kaehlert (RN=1493)
B: . . @ . .. .
Living @ Winchester, IL
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

CHILDREN

1 Karen Lee Cannon (RN=1495)
B: 12 Nov 1964 @ . .. .
M: Sep 1993 to Ray . . Held (RN=3403) @ _____
Living @ Winchester, IL
SEX: F

CHILDREN

2 Karla Marie Cannon (RN=1496)
B: 12 Nov 1964 @ . .. .
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
Living @ Winchester, IL
SEX: F

3 (David) Bryan Cannon (RN=1497)
B: 02 Jun 1966 @ . .. .
M: _____ to Tammy . . (RN=3391) @ _____
Living @ Winchester, IL
SEX: M

NOTES:
(H)-1: Have David's 1994 obituary with a current picture. He is buried in Winchester, IL, City Cemetery. Was a self employed contractor for more than 30 years and recently an insurance representative for Royal Neighbors of America.
(W)-1: Karen and Karla are twins.
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Family Group Sheet

Husband: David Lee Cannon (RN=1486)
B: 28 Feb 1937 @ Bluffs, IL
M: 03 Jun 1972 @ Carrollton, IL
D: 23 Nov 1994 @ Springfield, IL Hospital
SEX: M
Father: Jesse Lee Cannon (RN=1482)
Mother: Hulda(Lee) Levina Lear (RN=42)
Other Marriages 1: Dolores Marie Kaehlert (RN=1493)

Wife: Judith Irene Gibbs (RN=1494)
B: . . @ . .. .
Living @ Winchester,IL
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____
Other Marriages 1: . . Gregory (RN=3404)

CHILDREN

1 Jesse (Eddie) Edward Cannon (RN=1498)
B: 12 Oct 1973 @ . .. .
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
Living @ Winchester, IL
SEX: F

2 Joshua T. . Cannon (RN=2276)
B: 1983 @ . .. .
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
Living @ Winchester, IL
SEX: M

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: . . Gregory (RN=3404)
B: _____ @ _____
M: _____ @ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Judith Irene Gibbs (RN=1494)
B: . . @ . .. .
Living @ Winchester,IL
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____
Other Marriages 2: David Lee Cannon (RN=1486)

CHILDREN

1 Patricia L. Gregory (RN=3405)
B: _____ @ _____
M: _____ to Kevin Kaegy (RN=3406) @ _____
Living @ Greenville, IL
SEX: F

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Robert. . Sacramento (RN=1499)
B: . . @ . .. .
M: 10 Jan 1986 @ . .
Living @ Jacksonville,IL
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Donna Faye Cannon (RN=1487)
B: 22 Sep 1943 @ IL
Living @ Jacksonville,IL
SEX: F
Father: Jesse Lee Cannon (RN=1482)
Mother: Hulda(Lee) Levina Lear (RN=42)

No Children

NOTES:
(W)-1: Divorced 29 Sep 1993.
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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Keith Norton McAllister (RN=1501)
B: 16 Aug 1930 @ IL
M: 19 Mar 1953 @ . .
D: 25 Dec 1984 @ Concord,IL
SEX: M
Father: Robert McAllister (RN=1500)
Mother: Faye Lucille Lear (RN=43)

Wife: Mona Evelyn Kershaw (RN=1505)
B: 21 Dec 1933 @ . .. .
Living @ Belleville, IL
SEX: F
Father: Ted Kershaw (RN=3393)
Mother: _____

CHILDREN

1 Patrick Duane McAllister (RN=1506)
B: 17 Jul 1959 @ (adopted)
M: . . to Connie . . Buss (RN=1507) @ . .
Living @ Belleville, IL
SEX: M

NOTES:
(H)-1: Buried Concord, IL Cemetery.

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: (Robert) Dean McAllister (RN=1502)
B: 19 Feb 1932 @ . .IL
M: 03 Dec 1951 @ Albion,NE
Living @ Murfreesboro,TN
SEX: M
Father: Robert McAllister (RN=1500)
Mother: Faye Lucille Lear (RN=43)

Wife: Bonnie Mae Johnson (RN=1509)
B: 20 Mar 1933 @ . .. .
Living @ Murfreesboro,TN
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

CHILDREN

1 Vicky Lynn McAllister (RN=1510)
B: 25 Nov 1952 @ . .. .
M: 06 Aug 1970 to James Timothy Bunting (RN=1512) @ . .
Living @ TN
SEX: F

2 Colleen DeAnn McAllister (RN=1511)
B: 07 Jun 1958 @ . .. .
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
Living @ TN
SEX: F

NOTES:
(2)-1: Colleen DeAnn McAllister (RN=1511) has a daughter, Lauren, born Sept. 1986.

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Ford Edgar Lear (RN=39)
B: 28 Dec 1895 @ Brown Co.,IL
M: 31 Dec 1913 @ . .
D: 08 May 1949 @ Flint,Genesee Co.,MI
SEX: M
Father: Edgar("Toby") Lear (RN=37)
Mother: Nellie Ann Brewer (RN=38)

Wife: Florence Isabel(Belle) Lung (RN=1468)
B: 10 Jan 1894 @ . .. .
D: 23 Oct 1967 @ Flint,Genesee Co.,MI
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

CHILDREN

1 Floyd Allen Lear (RN=1469)
B: 29 Jun 1918 @ . .. .
M: . . to Mary June . . (RN=2574) @ . . (Divorced)
RM: . . to Florence. . . . (RN=1474) @ . .
D: 24 May 1986 @ Fort Walton, Florida
SEX: M

2 Robert Edgar Lear (RN=1470)
B: 30 Nov 1920 @ Flint, Genesee Co.,MI
M: . . to Ruth. . . . (RN=1475) @ . . (Widowed)
Living @ Flint, MI
SEX: M

3 Doris Rosetta Lear (RN=1473)
B: 12 Jun 1925 @ Flint,Genesee Co.,MI
Single
D: 21 May 1926 @ Flint, MI
SEX: F

4 Donald Roy Lear Sr. (RN=1471)
B: 09 Dec 1926 @ Flint,Genesee Co.,MI
M: . . to . .. . . (RN=1478) @ . .
D: 14 May 1978 @ . .Alabama
SEX: M

5 George Albert Lear Sr. (RN=1472)
B: 18 Jul 1932 @ Flint,Genesee Co.,MI
M: . . to . .. . . (RN=1479) @ . .
D: 22 Feb 1990 @ . .. .
SEX: M

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Dick Edward Sandman (RN=1480)
B: . . @ . .. .
M: . . @ . .
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Elsie Marie Lear (RN=41)
B: 13 Dec 1897 @ . .IL
D: 19 Mar 1935 @ Hosp.-Jacksonville,IL
SEX: F
Father: Edgar("Toby") Lear (RN=37)
Mother: Nellie Ann Brewer (RN=38)
Other Marriages 2: Guy. . Grady (RN=1481)

CHILDREN

1 Donald Edward Sandman (RN=1780)
B: 08 Jan 1921 @ Exeter,IL
M: 1950 to Marguerite. . Glade (RN=1783) @ Chicago,IL
D: 06 Mar 1972 @ Springfield,IL
SEX: M

2 Charles. . Sandman (RN=1781)
B: . . @ . .. .
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
Living @ Washington,DC
SEX: M

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Guy. . Grady (RN=1481)
B: 07 Feb 1893 @ . .. .
M: 1928 @ . .
D: 26 Oct 1974 @ . .. .
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Elsie Marie Lear (RN=41)
B: 13 Dec 1897 @ . .IL
D: 19 Mar 1935 @ Hosp.-Jacksonville,IL
SEX: F
Father: Edgar("Toby") Lear (RN=37)
Mother: Nellie Ann Brewer (RN=38)
Other Marriages 1: Dick Edward Sandman (RN=1480)

CHILDREN

1 Marlyn Jean Grady (RN=1782)
B: 1933 @ . .. .
M: . . to Richard. . Moser (RN=2882) @ . .
Living @ Wisconsin Rapids,WI
SEX: F

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Jesse Lee Cannon (RN=1482)
B: 07 Apr 1897 @ . .. .
M: . . @ . .
D: 12 Nov 1969 @ Winchester,IL
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Hulda(Lee) Levina Lear (RN=42)
B: 07 Jul 1905 @ near Rushville,IL
D: 16 May 1988 @ Jacksonville,IL
SEX: F
Father: Edgar("Toby") Lear (RN=37)
Mother: Nellie Ann Brewer (RN=38)

CHILDREN

1 William Edward Cannon (RN=1483)
B: 02 Feb 1925 @ . .IL
M: 06 Mar 1965 to Donna Caroline Bennett (RN=1488) @ . .
D: 12 May 1983 @ Jacksonville,IL
SEX: M

2 Betty Ann Cannon (RN=1484)
B: 10 Dec 1932 @ IL
M: 23 Sep 1950 to Charles. . Bruce (RN=1489) @ . .IL
Living @ Roodhouse,IL
SEX: F

CHILDREN

3 Bonnie Gail Cannon (RN=1485)
B: 29 Mar 1934 @ IL
M: Mar 1953 to Harold. . Bainbridge (RN=2883) @ . . (Divorced)
RM: . . to Milton. . Henson (RN=2884) @ . . (Widowed)
RM: . . to Robert. . Dishno (RN=2885) @ . . (Divorced)
RM: . . to Kenneth. . Stice (RN=1492) @ . .
Living @ Jacksonville,IL
SEX: F

4 David Lee Cannon (RN=1486)
B: 28 Feb 1937 @ Bluffs, IL
M: 16 Sep 1961 to Dolores Marie Kaehlert (RN=1493) @ . . (Divorced)
RM: 03 Jun 1972 to Judith Irene Gibbs (RN=1494) @ Carrollton, IL
D: 23 Nov 1994 @ Springfield, IL Hospital
SEX: M

5 Donna Faye Cannon (RN=1487)
B: 22 Sep 1943 @ IL
M: 10 Jan 1986 to Robert. . Sacramento (RN=1499) @ . . (Divorced
)
Living @ Jacksonville,IL
SEX: F

NOTES:
(H)-1: World War I Veteran.
(4)-1: Have David's 1994 obituary with a current picture. He is buried in Winchester, IL, City Cemetery. Was a self employed contractor for more than 30 years and recently an insurance representative for Royal Neighbors of America.
(5)-1: Divorced 29 Sep 1993.
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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Robert McAllister (RN=1500)
B: 25 May 1908 @ . .. .
M: . .1930 @ . .
D: 21 Jan 1984 @ Concord,IL
SEX: M
Father: Joseph McAllister (RN=1503)
Mother: Minnie Hudson (RN=1504)

Wife: Faye Lucille Lear (RN=43)
B: 23 Dec 1909 @ near Chapin,IL
Living @ Jacksonville,IL
SEX: F
Father: Edgar("Toby") Lear (RN=37)
Mother: Nellie Ann Brewer (RN=38)

CHILDREN

1 Keith Norton McAllister (RN=1501)
B: 16 Aug 1930 @ IL
M: 19 Mar 1953 to Mona Evelyn Kershaw (RN=1505) @ . .
D: 25 Dec 1984 @ Concord,IL
SEX: M

2 (Robert) Dean McAllister (RN=1502)
B: 19 Feb 1932 @ . .IL
M: 03 Dec 1951 to Bonnie Mae Johnson (RN=1509) @ Albion,NE
Living @ Murfreesboro,TN
SEX: M

NOTES:
(H)-1: Buried Concord, IL Cemetery.
(1)-1: Buried Concord, IL Cemetery.
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Family Group Sheet

Husband: (William) Opher Brewer (RN=87)
B: 25 Jun 1875 @ ., IL
M: 24 Dec 1900 @ .
D: 25(Mar?)1954 @ . .. .
SEX: M
Father: (Samuel) George Brewer (RN=85)
Mother: Hulda Davis (RN=86)

Wife: Maude Mae Hale (RN=2565)
B: 1883 @ . .. .
D: 1950 @ . .. .
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

CHILDREN

1 Oma Brewer (RN=3409)
B: 1911 @ _____
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
RM: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
Living @ Batavia, IL
SEX: F

2 Deneen Brewer (RN=3410)
B: _____ @ _____
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M

3 Bonita Brewer (RN=3411)
B: _____ @ _____
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Warren McCarthy (RN=2897)
B: _____ @ _____
M: c 1905 @ . .
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Martha ("Mae") Ellen Brewer (RN=88)
B: 25 Aug 1877 @ . ., IL
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: F
Father: (Samuel) George Brewer (RN=85)
Mother: Hulda Davis (RN=86)
Other Marriages 2: C. . B. . Myers (RN=2566)

NUMBER OF CHILDREN: Unknown

NOTES:
(W)-1: Text.

Text for Martha ("Mae") Ellen Brewer (RN=88)

Martha ("Mae") had an illegitimate son, Porter Brewer, when she was 18. She married Warren McCarthy ca 1905. He worked in a carnival and disappeared. Arlow Brewer was in touch with his family in later years and knew that Warren was never heard from by his family again.

C. B. Myers was from Kentucky. Thelma Gray thinks his family trained or raced horses.

Mae's son, Porter, had son, Delbert. He was speed skating and struck his head on ice. Went in service in W.W. II. Stood in line for shots and collapsed and died before they could do anything to help him at Great Lakes, IL. Delbert had son, Porter Brewer, who had 2 children and lived in MI. Ida, Porter's wife, died in the 70's. Oma Brewer Bonds Capocasa said Delbert was being sworn into the service when he collapsed and died. Gov't didn't give family any insurance money to help them.

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: C. . B. . Myers (RN=2566)
B: . . @ . .. .
M: . . @ . .
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Martha ("Mae") Ellen Brewer (RN=88)
B: 25 Aug 1877 @ . ., IL
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: F
Father: (Samuel) George Brewer (RN=85)
Mother: Hulda Davis (RN=86)
Other Marriages 1: Warren McCarthy (RN=2897)

NUMBER OF CHILDREN: Unknown

NOTES:
(W)-1: Text.

Text for Martha ("Mae") Ellen Brewer (RN=88)

Martha ("Mae") had an illegitimate son, Porter Brewer, when she was 18. She married Warren McCarthy ca 1905. He worked in a carnival and disappeared. Arlow Brewer was in touch with his family in later years and knew that Warren was never heard from by his family again.

C. B. Myers was from Kentucky. Thelma Gray thinks his family trained or raced horses.

Mae's son, Porter, had son, Delbert. He was speed skating and struck his head on ice. Went in service in W.W. II. Stood in line for shots and collapsed and died before they could do anything to help him at Great Lakes, IL. Delbert had son, Porter Brewer, who had 2 children and lived in MI. Ida, Porter's wife, died in the 70's. Oma Brewer Bonds Capocasa said Delbert was being sworn into the service when he collapsed and died. Gov't didn't give family any insurance money to help them.

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Thomas F. . Lewis Sr. (RN=2567)
B: 1879 @ . .. .
M: . . @ . .
D: 1936 @ . .. .
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Mary Lucinda (Lou/Louie) Brewer (RN=89)
B: 05 Nov 1879 @ . ., IL
D: 1965 @ . .. .
SEX: F
Father: (Samuel) George Brewer (RN=85)
Mother: Hulda Davis (RN=86)

CHILDREN

1 Thomas F. . Lewis Jr. (RN=3412)
B: 1909 @ _____
Single
D: 1909 @ _____
SEX: M

2 Charles . . Lewis (RN=3413)
B: _____ @ _____
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M

NOTES:
(W)-1: Mary Lucinda (Lou/Louie), Thomas Sr. and Thomas Jr. Lewis are buried in Chapin, IL Cemetery.
(2)-1: Charles died from heart attack in his 40's. Drug salesman, Oma Capocasa said, and very handsome - dark hair and brown eyes.
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Family Group Sheet

Husband: George ("Bob") Washington Brewer (RN=90)
B: 11 Feb 1882 @ . ., IL
M: . . @ . .
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: M
Father: (Samuel) George Brewer (RN=85)
Mother: Hulda Davis (RN=86)

Wife: Minnie . . Stafford (RN=2568)
B: . . @ . .. .
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

No Children

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: (Edward) Arlow Brewer (RN=91)
B: 17 Jun 1884 @ . ., IL
M: 12 Dec 1922 @ . .
D: May 1938 @ Chapin, IL
SEX: M
Father: (Samuel) George Brewer (RN=85)
Mother: Hulda Davis (RN=86)

Wife: Margaret Ellen ("Ella") Daley (RN=2569)
B: . . @ . .. .
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

CHILDREN

1 Thelma Brewer (RN=3514)
B: 14 Dec 1923 @ _____
M: _____ to Eugene Gray (RN=3515) @ _____
Living @ Sacramento, CA
SEX: F

NOTES:
(H)-1: Edward was always called Arlow.

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Orville Perry Brewer (RN=92)
B: 25 Aug 1886 @ . ., IL
M: . . @ . .
D: 1940 @ Chapin, IL
SEX: M
Father: (Samuel) George Brewer (RN=85)
Mother: Hulda Davis (RN=86)
Other Marriages 2: Helen . . . . (RN=2570)

Wife: Hattie. . Thies (RN=2573)
B: . . @ . .. .
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

NUMBER OF CHILDREN: Unknown

NOTES:
(H)-1: Buried Chapin Cemetery. Killed as a pedestrian by a train. Probably divorced from 2nd wife, Helen, by that time. He and Helen had 3 children, Maxine and 2 boys.

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Orville Perry Brewer (RN=92)
B: 25 Aug 1886 @ . ., IL
M: . . @ . .
D: 1940 @ Chapin, IL
SEX: M
Father: (Samuel) George Brewer (RN=85)
Mother: Hulda Davis (RN=86)
Other Marriages 1: Hattie. . Thies (RN=2573)

Wife: Helen . . . . (RN=2570)
B: . . @ . .. .
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

NUMBER OF CHILDREN: Unknown

NOTES:

(H)-1: Buried Chapin Cemetery. Killed as a pedestrian by a train. Probably divorced from 2nd wife, Helen, by that time. He and Helen had 3 children, Maxine and 2 boys.

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Charles Wesley Brewer (RN=93)
B: 10 Jun 1888 @ . ., IL
M: . . @ . .
D: 1961 @ Chapin, IL
SEX: M
Father: (Samuel) George Brewer (RN=85)
Mother: Hulda Davis (RN=86)

Wife: Edith . . Mullens (RN=2571)
B: . . @ . . .
D: . . @ . . .
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

NUMBER OF CHILDREN: Unknown

NOTES:
(H)-1: Charles and Edith are buried in Chapin, IL Cemetery.

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Seth ("Tommy") Howard Brewer (RN=94)
B: 26 Jun 1891 @ . ., IL
M: . . @ . .
D: . . @ Flint, MI
SEX: M
Father: (Samuel) George Brewer (RN=85)
Mother: Hulda Davis (RN=86)

Wife: Rose . . Korty (RN=2572)
B: . . @ . . .
D: . . @ . . .
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

NUMBER OF CHILDREN: Unknown

NOTES:
(H)-1: Text.
(W)-1: Had issue.

Text for Seth ("Tommy") Howard Brewer (RN=94)

Seth ("Tommy") and Rose Brewer had a son, "Junior", who was in W.W. II. He was wounded in Saint Lo and died later in England. He was buried in Cambridge, England, but later his remains were brought back home to Flint, MI for burial. Seth ("Tommy") is also buried in Flint.
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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Jonathan. . Lizenbee (RN=2602)
B: c 1856 @ . .IL
M: c 1878 @ . .IL
D: . . @ _____
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Matilda Anderson (RN=2302)
B: 1862 @ . .IL
D: . . @ Buried Macomb, IL
SEX: F
Father: John W. Anderson (RN=81)
Mother: Lavina Hill (RN=80)

CHILDREN

1 William Lizenbee (RN=3455)
B: c 1878 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: . . @ _____
SEX: M

NOTES:
(H)-1: Jonathan's parents born in Kentucky. Probably brother, William, living next door in 1880 Census.
(1)-1: Name and birth date from 1880 Census, Cooperstownship, Brown Co., IL.
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Family Group Sheet

Husband: . .. . Davis (RN=3096)
B: _____ @ _____
M: _____ @ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Dicey Anderson (RN=2303)
B: c 1864 @ . .
D: . . @ . .
SEX: F
Father: John W. Anderson (RN=81)
Mother: Lavina Hill (RN=80)

NUMBER OF CHILDREN: Unknown

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Alvin Lear (RN=82)
B: Nov 1872 @ Versailles,Brown Co.,IL
M: . . @ . .
D: 1949 @ Astoria, IL
SEX: M
Father: Andrew Flenard Lear (RN=79)
Mother: Lavina Hill (RN=80)

Wife: Hulda May Long (RN=2879)
B: _____ @ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

NUMBER OF CHILDREN: Unknown

NOTES:
(H)-1: Alvin and Hulda Long Lear are buried in Rushville, IL Cemetery according to death certificates. I didn't find headstones in 1990.
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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Oscar N. Lear (RN=83)
B: 10 Dec 1879 @ Cooperstown,Brown Co.IL
M: . . @ . .
D: 17 Jan 1960 @ Rushville, IL
SEX: M
Father: Andrew Flenard Lear (RN=79)
Mother: Lavina Hill (RN=80)
Other Marriages 2: Lillie Moore (RN=2880)

Wife: Nettie Lashbrook (RN=2848)
B: _____ @ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

NUMBER OF CHILDREN: Unknown

NOTES:
(H)-1: Buried Palm Cemetery, Woodstock twp., Schuyler Co., IL.
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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Oscar N. Lear (RN=83)
B: 10 Dec 1879 @ Cooperstown,Brown Co.IL
M: after 1920 @ . .
D: 17 Jan 1960 @ Rushville, IL
SEX: M
Father: Andrew Flenard Lear (RN=79)
Mother: Lavina Hill (RN=80)
Other Marriages 1: Nettie Lashbrook (RN=2848)

Wife: Lillie Moore (RN=2880)
B: _____ @ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

NUMBER OF CHILDREN: Unknown

NOTES:
(H)-1: Buried Palm Cemetery, Woodstock twp., Schuyler Co., IL.
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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Frederick Lear (RN=84)
B: 05 Jan 1881 @ CooperstownTwpBrownCoIL
M: . . @ . .
D: 29 Mar 1937 @ Rushville,SchuylerCo.IL
SEX: M
Father: Andrew Flenard Lear (RN=79)
Mother: Lavina Hill (RN=80)

Wife: Mabel Dyer (RN=2881)
B: _____ @ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

NUMBER OF CHILDREN: Unknown

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Thomas ("Hap") Hampton Davis (RN=225)
B: 02 Sep 1833 @ Davidson Co.,NC
M: 08 Oct 1857 @ Brown Co., IL
D: 11 Oct 1904 @ Brown Co., IL
SEX: M
Father: Thomas Hampton Davis (RN=218)
Mother: Nancy Eroline Hedrick (RN=219)

Wife: Eliza Hill (RN=203)
B: 07 Jan 1838 @ IL
D: 21 Jan 1894 @ Schuyler Co., IL
SEX: F
Father: Henry Hill (RN=201)
Mother: Rhodisa(Dicey) Davis (RN=202)

CHILDREN

1 Nancy E. Davis (RN=3456)
B: c 1859 @ Brown Co., IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F

2 James M. Davis (RN=3457)
B: c 1861 @ Brown Co., IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M

3 Thomas Davis (RN=3458)
B: c 1863 @ Brown Co., IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M

4 Otha G. Davis (RN=3459)
B: c 1866 @ Brown Co., IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M

5 Emma L. Davis (RN=3460)
B: 1868 @ Brown Co., IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F

6 Eliza Jane Davis (RN=3461)
B: c 1870 @ Brown Co., IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F

7 William H. Davis (RN=3462)
B: c 1872 @ Brown Co., IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M

8 Dica C. Davis (RN=3463)
B: c 1875 @ Brown Co., IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F

9 Elizabeth Davis (RN=3464)
B: c 1877 @ Brown Co., IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F

NOTES:
(H)-1: Thomas and Eliza Hill Davis are buried in Cross Roads Cemetery, Brown Co., IL.
(W)-1: Eliza born 1838. In 1839 Brown Co. was formed from that area. Buried Cross Roads Cemetery, Brown Co., IL.
(1)-1: Name and birth date from 1880 Versailles Twp. Brown Co., IL Census.
(2)-1: Name and birth date from 1880 Versailles Twp. Brown Co., IL Census.
(3)-1: Name and birth date from 1880 Versailles Twp. Brown Co., IL Census.
(4)-1: Name and birth date from 1880 Versailles Twp. Brown Co., IL Census.
(5)-1: Name and birth date from 1880 Versailles Twp. Brown Co., IL Census.
(6)-1: Name and birth date from 1880 Versailles Twp. Brown Co., IL Census.
(7)-1: Name and birth date from 1880 Versailles Twp. Brown Co., IL Census.
(8)-1: Name and birth date from 1880 Versailles Twp. Brown Co., IL Census.
(9)-1: Name and birth date from 1880 Versailles Twp. Brown Co., IL Census.

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Edom Wood Brewer (RN=216)
B: 22 May 1838 @ Davidson Co.,NC
M: _____ @ _____
D: 21 Oct 1897 @ Brown Co.,IL
SEX: M
Father: George W.(Washington?) Brewer (RN=210)
Mother: Elizabeth Hedrick (RN=211)

Wife: Nancy Evelyn Davis (RN=227)
B: 06 Jan 1839 @ Brown Co., IL
D: 21 Feb 1903 @ Brown Co.,IL
SEX: F
Father: Thomas Hampton Davis (RN=218)
Mother: Nancy Eroline Hedrick (RN=219)

NUMBER OF CHILDREN: Unknown

NOTES:
(H)-1: Thelma Brewer Gray told Margaret Lear Terrell "Grandpa Brewer's brother married Grandma Brewer's sister" (RN=216 and RN=227). This is the couple who are buried in Cross Roads Cemetery, Brown Co., IL.
(H)-2: Edom W. and Nancy E. Brewer buried Crossroads Cemetery, Brown Co., IL.
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Family Group Sheet

Husband: James Davis (RN=229)
B: 28 Feb 1846 @ Brown Co., IL
M: _____ @ _____
D: 09 Aug 1919 @ IL
SEX: M
Father: Thomas Hampton Davis (RN=218)
Mother: Nancy Eroline Hedrick (RN=219)

Wife: Sarah E. Williams (RN=3375)
B: _____ @ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

NUMBER OF CHILDREN: Unknown

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Seth Lanier (RN=3369)
B: c 1822 @ . .N.C.
M: 04 Dec 1851 @ Brown Co., IL
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Mary (Polly) L. Brewer (RN=213)
B: 27 Oct 1826 @ Davidson Co., NC
D: 08 Mar 1903 @ Brown Co., IL
SEX: F
Father: George W.(Washington?) Brewer (RN=210)
Mother: Elizabeth Hedrick (RN=211)

CHILDREN

1 Thomas Lanier (RN=3465)
B: c 1854 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M

2 William Lanier (RN=3466)
B: c 1857 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M

3 Edward Lanier (RN=3467)
B: c 1859 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M

4 Sarah Lanier (RN=3468)
B: c 1861 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F

5 James Lanier (RN=3469)
B: c 1864 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M

6 Lavra J. Lanier (RN=3470)
B: c 1867 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F

NOTES:
(W)-1: Mary Brewer and Seth Lanier are buried Gilbird's Cemetery, Brown Co., IL.
(1)-1: Name and birth date taken from 1870 Cooperstown twp., Brown Co., IL Census.
(2)-1: Name and birth date taken from 1870 Cooperstown twp., Brown Co., IL Census.
(3)-1: Name and birth date taken from 1870 Cooperstown twp., Brown Co., IL Census.
(4)-1: Name and birth date taken from 1870 Cooperstown twp., Brown Co., IL Census.
(5)-1: Name and birth date taken from 1870 Cooperstown twp., Brown Co., IL Census.
(6)-1: Name and birth date taken from 1870 Cooperstown twp., Brown Co., IL Census.
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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Robert Davis (RN=220)
B: c 1826 @ NC
M: 12 Jun 1851 @ . .IL
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: M
Father: Thomas Hampton Davis (RN=218)
Mother: Nancy Eroline Hedrick (RN=219)

Wife: Lucinda Brewer (RN=215)
B: c 1834 @ Randolph Co.,NC
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: F
Father: George W.(Washington?) Brewer (RN=210)
Mother: Elizabeth Hedrick (RN=211)

CHILDREN

1 John L. Davis (RN=3471)
B: c 1853 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M

2 Camellin Davis (RN=3472)
B: c 1855 @ . .IL
M: c 1878 to . . Johnson (RN=3473) @ . .IL
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F

CHILDREN

3 Thomas Hampton Davis (RN=3474)
B: c 1856 @ . .IL
M: _____ to . . . (RN=3475) @ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M

4 George W. Davis (RN=3476)
B: c 1860 @ . .IL
M: _____ to . . . (RN=3477) @ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M

NOTES:
(1)-1: Name and birth date from 1880 Versailles Twp. Brown Co., IL Census.
(2)-1: Name and birth date from 1880 Versailles Twp. Brown Co., IL Census.
(2)-2: 1880 Census: 1 child, Robert E. Johnson, 1 year old. Husband not listed.
(3)-1: Name and birth date from 1880 Versailles Twp. Brown Co., IL Census.
(4)-1: Name and birth date from 1880 Versailles Twp. Brown Co., IL Census.
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Family Group Sheet

Husband: John Davis (RN=221)
B: c 1827 @ NC
M: c 1857 @ _____
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: M
Father: Thomas Hampton Davis (RN=218)
Mother: Nancy Eroline Hedrick (RN=219)
Other Marriages 2: Mary A. . . (RN=3448)

Wife: . . Trusdale (RN=3447)
B: _____ @ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

NUMBER OF CHILDREN: Unknown

NOTES:
(H)-1: Isaac Trusdale (brother-in-law) living with family in 1880 Census. Brother of 1st wife?

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: John Davis (RN=221)
B: c 1827 @ NC
M: c 1865 @ _____
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: M
Father: Thomas Hampton Davis (RN=218)
Mother: Nancy Eroline Hedrick (RN=219)
Other Marriages 1: . . Trusdale (RN=3447)

Wife: Mary A. . . (RN=3448)
B: c 1838 @ . .IL
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

CHILDREN

1 Obediah Davis (RN=3479)
B: c 1858 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M

2 Syrrilda Davis (RN=3480)
B: c 1866 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F

3 Hulda Davis (RN=3481)
B: c 1868 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F

4 Nancy M. Davis (RN=3482)
B: c 1870 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F

5 Alliva M. Davis (RN=3483)
B: c 1873 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F

6 James M.(?) Davis (RN=3484)
B: c 1875 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M

7 Maggie S. Davis (RN=3485)
B: c 1879 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F

NOTES:
(H)-1: Isaac Trusdale (brother-in-law) living with family in 1880 Census.
Brother of 1st wife?
(W)-1: Name and dates from 1880 Versailles Twp, Brown Co., IL Census.
(1)-1: Name and birth date from 1880 Versailles Twp. Brown Co., IL Census.
(2)-1: Name and birth date from 1880 Versailles Twp. Brown Co., IL Census.
(3)-1: Name and birth date from 1880 Versailles Twp. Brown Co., IL Census.
(4)-1: Name and birth date from 1880 Versailles Twp. Brown Co., IL Census.
(5)-1: Name and birth date from 1880 Versailles Twp. Brown Co., IL Census.
(6)-1: Name and birth date from 1880 Versailles Twp. Brown Co., IL Census.
(7)-1: Name and birth date from 1880 Versailles Twp. Brown Co., IL Census.
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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Edom Wood Brewer (RN=216)
B: 22 May 1838 @ Davidson Co.,NC
M: _____ @ _____
D: 21 Oct 1897 @ Brown Co.,IL
SEX: M
Father: George W.(Washington?) Brewer (RN=210)
Mother: Elizabeth Hedrick (RN=211)

Wife: Nancy Evelyn Davis (RN=227)
B: 06 Jan 1839 @ Brown Co., IL
D: 21 Feb 1903 @ Brown Co.,IL
SEX: F
Father: Thomas Hampton Davis (RN=218)
Mother: Nancy Eroline Hedrick (RN=219)

NUMBER OF CHILDREN: Unknown

NOTES:
(H)-1: Thelma Brewer Gray told Margaret Lear Terrell "Grandpa Brewer's brother married Grandma Brewer's sister" (RN=216 and RN=227). This is the couple who are buried in Cross Roads Cemetery, Brown Co., IL.
(H)-2: Edom W. and Nancy E. Brewer buried Crossroads Cemetery, Brown Co., IL.

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: William Franklin Brewer (RN=217)
B: 21 Oct 1848 @ Salisbury, NC
M: 01 Oct 1874 @ Jacksonville, IL
D: 05 Nov 1906 @ Little Rock, AR
SEX: M
Father: George W.(Washington?) Brewer (RN=210)
Mother: Elizabeth Hedrick (RN=211)

Wife: Martha E. Drake (RN=3370)
B: _____ @ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

NUMBER OF CHILDREN: Unknown

NOTES:
(H)-1: Salisbury is County Seat of Rowan Co., NC.
(W)-1: Names and dates from Thelma Brewer Gray and her cousins, Vera and
Juanita Rice, living in St. Louis, IL.
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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Gilbert B. Perry (RN=2904)
B: c 1855 @ . .IL
M: c 1873 @ Brown Co., IL
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Elizabeth Hill (RN=207)
B: 1850 @ CooperstownTwpBrownCoIL
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: F
Father: Henry Hill (RN=201)
Mother: Rhodisa(Dicey) Davis (RN=202)

CHILDREN

1 Dora L. Perry (RN=3486)
B: c 1874 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F

CHILDREN

2 Alva W. Perry (RN=3487)
B: Sep 1880 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F

NOTES:
(W)-1: Both buried in Perry Cemetery, Cooperstown Twp, Brown Co. Cemeteries of Brown County, Il. book says "Stone unreadable" for both.
(1)-1: Name and birth date taken from 1880 Cooperstown twp., Brown Co., IL Census.
(2)-1: Name and birth date taken from 1880 Cooperstown twp., Brown Co., IL Census.
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Family Group Sheet

Husband: George W.(Washington?) Lear (RN=193)
B: 12 Jul 1829 @ PA
M: 27 Jan 1857 @ _____
D: 16 Oct 1898 @ Brown Co.,IL
SEX: M
Father: John . . Lear (RN=191)
Mother: Maria M. Richardson (RN=192)
Other Marriages 2: Mary. . Whited (RN=3362)

Wife: Mary. . Gifford (RN=3361)
B: _____ @ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

NUMBER OF CHILDREN: Unknown

NOTES:
(H)-1: George & Mary Gifford Lear marriage date and her name in "Brown Co., IL Marriages 1839-1861".
(H)-2: Buried with George in Cross Roads Cemetery: Mary Whited Lear b. 6 Oct 1822, d. 6 Sep 1902.

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: George W.(Washington?) Lear (RN=193)
B: 12 Jul 1829 @ PA
M: _____ @ _____
D: 16 Oct 1898 @ Brown Co.,IL
SEX: M
Father: John . . Lear (RN=191)
Mother: Maria M. Richardson (RN=192)
Other Marriages 1: Mary. . Gifford (RN=3361)

Wife: Mary. . Whited (RN=3362)
B: 06 Oct 1822 @ _____
D: 06 Sep 1902 @ Buried Brown Co., IL
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

NUMBER OF CHILDREN: Unknown

NOTES:
(H)-1: George & Mary Gifford Lear marriage date and her name in "Brown Co., IL Marriages 1839-1861".
(H)-2: Buried with George in Cross Roads Cemetery: Mary Whited Lear b. 6 Oct 1822, d. 6 Sep 1902.
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Family Group Sheet

Husband: David A. Lear (RN=194)
B: c 1832 @ Broadtop Twp,Bedford Co.,PA
M: _____ @ _____
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: M
Father: John . . Lear (RN=191)
Mother: Maria M. Richardson (RN=192)

Wife: Rachel. . Hertori (RN=3363)
B: _____ @ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

NUMBER OF CHILDREN: Unknown

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Joseph Richardson Lear (RN=195)
B: 05 Jan 1835 @ BroadtopTwpBedfordCo,PA
M: 28 Jan 1859 @ _____
D: 06 Dec 1911 @ CooperstownTwpBrownCoIL
SEX: M
Father: John . . Lear (RN=191)
Mother: Maria M. Richardson (RN=192)
Other Marriages 2: Elizabeth E. . Henry (RN=3365)

Wife: Cassander. . Irwin (RN=3364)
B: _____ @ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

CHILDREN

1 Calista Lear (RN=3010)
B: c 1861 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F

2 James J. Lear (RN=3488)
B: c 1864 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M

3 John H. Lear (RN=3489)
B: c 1865 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M

NOTES:
(1)-1: Name and birth date taken from 1870 Cooperstown twp., Brown Co., IL Census.
(2)-1: Name and birth date taken from 1870 Cooperstown twp., Brown Co., IL Census.
(3)-1: Name and birth date taken from 1870 Cooperstown twp., Brown Co., IL Census.

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Joseph Richardson Lear (RN=195)
B: 05 Jan 1835 @ BroadtopTwpBedfordCo,PA
M: 05 Apr 1871 @ _____
D: 06 Dec 1911 @ CooperstownTwpBrownCoIL
SEX: M
Father: John . . Lear (RN=191)
Mother: Maria M. Richardson (RN=192)
Other Marriages 1: Cassander. . Irwin (RN=3364)

Wife: Elizabeth E. . Henry (RN=3365)
B: c 1849 @ . .IL
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

CHILDREN

1 Laura M. Lear (RN=3490)
B: c 1873 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F

2 Thomas E. Lear (RN=3491)
B: c 1874 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M

3 Charity E. Lear (RN=3492)
B: c 1876 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F

4 Otis Lear (RN=3493)
B: c 1878 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M

5 Edith M. Lear (RN=3494)
B: Dec 1879 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F

NOTES:

(1)-1: Name and birth date taken from 1880 Cooperstown twp., Brown Co., IL Census.
(2)-1: Name and birth date taken from 1880 Cooperstown twp., Brown Co., IL Census.
(3)-1: Name and birth date taken from 1880 Cooperstown twp., Brown Co., IL Census.
(4)-1: Name and birth date taken from 1880 Cooperstown twp., Brown Co., IL Census.
(5)-1: Name and birth date taken from 1880 Cooperstown twp., Brown Co., IL Census.
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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Hiram Barker Jr. (RN=3366)
B: c 1836 @ . .OH
M: 25 Oct 1860 @ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M
Father: Hiram Barker Sr. (?) (RN=2525)
Mother: Rhoda F. . . (RN=2821)

Wife: Hannah M. Lear (RN=196)
B: c 1839 @ Broadtop Twp,Bedford Co.,PA
D: . . @ . .. .
SEX: F
Father: John . . Lear (RN=191)
Mother: Maria M. Richardson (RN=192)

CHILDREN

1 John C. Barker (RN=3495)
B: c 1862 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M

2 Eliza A. Barker (RN=3496)
B: c 1864 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F

3 James C. Barker (RN=3497)
B: c 1866 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M

4 George W. Barker (RN=3498)
B: c 1869 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M

CHILDREN

5 Almira Barker (RN=3499)
B: c 1875 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F

6 Alvira L. Barker (RN=3500)
B: c 1875 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F

7 Allice V. Barker (RN=3501)
B: Nov 1879 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F

NOTES:
(H)-1: Father age 76 born Ohio, Mother age 77 born New Jersey from 1880 Cooperstown twp., Brown Co., IL Census.
(1)-1: Name and birth date taken from 1880 Cooperstown twp., Brown Co., IL Census.
(2)-1: Name and birth date taken from 1880 Cooperstown twp., Brown Co., IL Census.
(3)-1: Name and birth date taken from 1880 Cooperstown twp., Brown Co., IL Census.
(4)-1: Name and birth date taken from 1880 Cooperstown twp., Brown Co., IL Census.
(5)-1: Name and birth date taken from 1880 Cooperstown twp., Brown Co., IL Census.
(5)-2: Almira and Alvira were twins.
(6)-1: Name and birth date taken from 1880 Cooperstown twp., Brown Co., IL Census.
(6)-2: Alvira and Almira were twins.
(7)-1: Name and birth date taken from 1880 Cooperstown twp., Brown Co., IL Census.
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Family Group Sheet

Husband: John Gifford (RN=3367)
B: 1839 @ Clarion/Clarion Co.?, PA
M: 1862 @ _____
D: 1904 @ Hadar, NE
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Elizabeth Lear (RN=197)
B: c 1842 @ Broadtop Twp,Bedford Co.,PA
D: . . @ (Nebraska?)
SEX: F
Father: John . . Lear (RN=191)
Mother: Maria M. Richardson (RN=192)

CHILDREN

1 Minna . . Gifford (RN=3394)
B: 1863 @ IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F

2 James M. Gifford (RN=3395)
B: 1865 @ IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M

3 Joseph A. Gifford (RN=3396)
B: 1870 @ IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M

4 Harriet B. Gifford (RN=3397)
B: 1873 @ IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F

5 Emma J. Gifford (RN=3398)
B: 1875 @ IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F

NOTES:
(H)-1: Died at Hadar, Pierce Co., Nebraska (LDS Family Group Sheet).
(W)-1: Marriage 1862 and John Gifford from LDS record.
(W)-2: Children's names, ages and birthplace taken from 1 June 1880 Fed. Census, Cooperstown twp., Brown Co., IL.

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Andrew Hill (RN=204)
B: 1840 @ IL
M: 12 Mar 1868 @ Brown Co., IL
D: . . @ . . .
SEX: M
Father: Henry Hill (RN=201)
Mother: Rhodisa(Dicey) Davis (RN=202)

Wife: Ann Maria Lear (RN=198)
B: c 1845 @ Broadtop Twp,Bedford Co.,PA
D: before 4 Dec 1880 @ Brown Co., IL
SEX: F
Father: John . . Lear (RN=191)
Mother: Maria M. Richardson (RN=192)
Other Marriages 2: Octavius. . Dozier (RN=3360)

CHILDREN

1 William L.(?) Hill (RN=3502)
B: c 1868 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M

2 John H. Hill (RN=3503)
B: c 1870 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M

3 Charles B. Hill (RN=3504)
B: c 1871 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M

NOTES:
(W)-1: "Anamaria" in 1880 Brown Co., IL Census.
(1)-1: Name and birth date taken from 1880 Cooperstown twp., Brown Co., IL Census.
(2)-1: Name and birth date taken from 1880 Cooperstown twp., Brown Co., IL Census.
(3)-1: Name and birth date taken from 1880 Cooperstown twp., Brown Co., IL Census.

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Octavius. . Dozier (RN=3360)
B: c 1855 @ . .IL
M: c 1874 @ Brown Co., IL
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Ann Maria Lear (RN=198)
B: c 1845 @ Broadtop Twp,Bedford Co.,PA
D: before 4 Dec 1880 @ Brown Co., IL
SEX: F
Father: John . . Lear (RN=191)
Mother: Maria M. Richardson (RN=192)
Other Marriages 1: Andrew Hill (RN=204)

CHILDREN

1 Clement Dozier (RN=3505)
B: c 1875 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M

2 Neva C. Dozier (RN=3506)
B: c 1876 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F

3 Della L. Dozier (RN=3507)
B: Jun 1879 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F

NOTES:
(W)-1: "Anamaria" in 1880 Brown Co., IL Census.
(1)-1: Name and birth date taken from 1880 Cooperstown twp., Brown Co., IL Census.
(2)-1: Name and birth date taken from 1880 Cooperstown twp., Brown Co., IL Census.
(3)-1: Name and birth date taken from 1880 Cooperstown twp., Brown Co., IL Census.

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: John G. Lear (RN=199)
B: Jul 1850 @ BroadtopTwpBedfordCo,Pa
M: c 1871 @ . .IL
D: 07 Feb 1880 @ CooperstownTwpBrownCoIL
SEX: M
Father: John . . Lear (RN=191)
Mother: Maria M. Richardson (RN=192)

Wife: Mary E. Logsdon (RN=3368)
B: c 1849 @ . .KY
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

CHILDREN

1 Martha M. Lear (RN=3508)
B: c 1872 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F

2 Charles E. Lear (RN=3509)
B: 1879 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M

NOTES:
(H)-1: Text.
(1)-1: Name and birth date taken from 1880 Cooperstown twp., Brown Co., IL Census.
(2)-1: Name and birth date taken from 1880 Cooperstown twp., Brown Co., IL Census.

Text for John G. Lear (RN=199)

John G. Lear was shot in the head by his nephew, John Barker, son of his sister, Hannah Lear Barker. Group of men were shooting at targets after drinking cider and were drunk. John Barker shot to welcome man coming to join group but instead gun dropped to his shoulder and he shot John G. Lear, standing behind him, in the temple-dead in five minutes. Before anyone could stop him he shot again and hit Barry Hardy in the same spot - he lived about an hour.

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Charles Babst (RN=3415)
B: _____ @ _____
M: _____ @ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Jennie Richardson (RN=3414)
B: 28 Dec 1838 @ . .PA
D: 23 Feb 1875 @ Bedford Co., PA
SEX: F
Father: Joseph Richardson Jr. (RN=416)
Mother: Elizabeth H. (Lear ?) (RN=3376)

NUMBER OF CHILDREN: Unknown

NOTES:
(W)-1: Jennie not on 1850 or 1860 Census with rest of family, but added her because D. I. Foster said she was daughter of Joseph, Jr.
(W)-2: Jennie was a school teacher in Bedford Co., PA, and is buried in Duvall Cemetery, Defiance, Bedford Co., PA.

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Bradford Worthington (RN=3378)
B: c 1802 @ . .IL
M: 1833 @ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Lucinda Hill/Hills (RN=390)
B: 05 Nov 1814 @ KY
D: 27 Aug 1845 @ Brown Co., IL
SEX: F
Father: Robert/Robin S. Hill/Hills (RN=388)
Mother: Elizabeth Angel (RN=389)

NUMBER OF CHILDREN: Unknown

NOTES:
(W)-1: Buried Perry Cemetery, Brown Co., IL.

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: James Perry (RN=3377)
B: _____ @ _____
M: 24 Dec 1840 @ Brown Co., IL
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Eliza Hill/Hills (RN=392)
B: 25 Jun 1821 @ Perry Co.,IN
D: 08 Apr 1897 @ Brown Co., IL
SEX: F
Father: Robert/Robin S. Hill/Hills (RN=388)
Mother: Elizabeth Angel (RN=389)

NUMBER OF CHILDREN: Unknown

NOTES:
(W)-1: Eliza and James Perry buried in Perry Cemetery, Brown Co., IL.
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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Asa DeWitt (RN=3379)
B: _____ @ _____
M: 13 May 1848 @ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Elizabeth Hill/Hills (RN=394)
B: 1828 @ . .. .
D: 03 Oct 1851 @ Buried Perry Cemetery
SEX: F
Father: Robert/Robin S. Hill/Hills (RN=388)
Mother: Elizabeth Angel (RN=389)

NUMBER OF CHILDREN: Unknown

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Francis Marion Perry (RN=3380)
B: _____ @ _____
M: Apr 1851 @ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Martha (Patsy) Hill/Hills (RN=395)
B: 09 Dec 1830 @ Brown Co.,IL
D: 12 Mar 1905 @ Buried Perry Cemetery
SEX: F
Father: Robert/Robin S. Hill/Hills (RN=388)
Mother: Elizabeth Angel (RN=389)

NUMBER OF CHILDREN: Unknown

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Bryant Breeden Vance (RN=3381)
B: _____ @ _____
M: _____ @ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Almira Hill/Hills (RN=396)
B: 25 Nov 1832 @ Brown Co.,IL
D: 17 Sep 1909 @ Buried Perry Cemetery
SEX: F
Father: Robert/Robin S. Hill/Hills (RN=388)
Mother: Elizabeth Angel (RN=389)

NUMBER OF CHILDREN: Unknown

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Charles Hill/Hills (RN=397)
B: 14 Nov 1834 @ Hersman, IL
M: _____ @ _____
D: 18 Oct 1894 @ Mt. Sterling, IL
SEX: M
Father: Robert/Robin S. Hill/Hills (RN=388)
Mother: Elizabeth Angel (RN=389)
Other Marriages 2: Laura Ella Broadwell (RN=3383), 3: Lizzie W. Irwin (RN=3384)

Wife: Rebecca Jane Farrington (RN=3382)
B: _____ @ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

CHILDREN

1 Milly E. Hill/Hills (RN=3510)
B: c 1862 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F

2 Lavra E. Hill/Hills (RN=3511)
B: c 1864 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F

NOTES:
(1)-1: Name and birth date taken from 1880 Cooperstown twp., Brown Co., IL Census.
(2)-1: Name and birth date taken from 1880 Cooperstown twp., Brown Co., IL Census.

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Charles Hill/Hills (RN=397)
B: 14 Nov 1834 @ Hersman, IL
M: 09 Jan 1878 @ . .IL
D: 18 Oct 1894 @ Mt. Sterling, IL
SEX: M
Father: Robert/Robin S. Hill/Hills (RN=388)
Mother: Elizabeth Angel (RN=389)
Other Marriages 1: Rebecca Jane Farrington (RN=3382), 3: Lizzie W. Irwin (RN=3384)

Wife: Laura Ella Broadwell (RN=3383)
B: c 1854 @ . .IL
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

CHILDREN

1 Bessie G. Hill/Hills (RN=3512)
B: c 1876 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F

NOTES:
(1)-1: Name and birth date taken from 1880 Cooperstown twp., Brown Co., IL Census.
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Family Group Sheet

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M: _____ @ _____
D: 18 Oct 1894 @ Mt. Sterling, IL
SEX: M
Father: Robert/Robin S. Hill/Hills (RN=388)
Mother: Elizabeth Angel (RN=389)
Other Marriages 1: Rebecca Jane Farrington (RN=3382), 2: Laura Ella Broadwell (RN=3383)

Wife: Lizzie W. Irwin (RN=3384)
B: _____ @ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

NUMBER OF CHILDREN: Unknown

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Joseph Richardson Jr. (RN=416)
B: 11 Jun 1811 @ Bedford Co., PA
M: c 1836 @ _____
D: 29 Dec 1861 @ Fulton Co., PA
SEX: M
Father: Joseph Richardson (RN=383)
Mother: Hannah Davis (RN=384)

Wife: Elizabeth H. (Lear ?) (RN=3376)
B: 09 Sep 1808 @ (Franklin Co.?,) PA
D: 13 Oct 1861 @ Fulton Co., PA
SEX: F
Father: _____
Mother: _____

CHILDREN

1 Margaret Richardson (RN=3513)
B: c 1836 @ . .PA
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F

2 Jennie Richardson (RN=3414)
B: 28 Dec 1838 @ . .PA
M: _____ to Charles Babst (RN=3415) @ _____
D: 23 Feb 1875 @ Bedford Co., PA
SEX: F

3 Eliza J. Richardson (RN=3416)
B: c 1840 @ . .PA
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F

4 George Richardson (RN=3417)
B: c 1842 @ . .PA
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: M

CHILDREN

5 Mary Catherine Richardson (RN=3418)
B: 16 May 1844 @ . .PA
Single
D: 27 Jun 1861 @ Fulton Co., PA
SEX: F

6 Minerva Richardson (RN=3419)
B: c 1846 @ . .PA
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F

7 Rosanna Richardson (RN=3420)
B: c 1848 @ . .PA
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F

8 Margaret Richardson (RN=3421)
B: c 1852 @ . .PA
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: _____ @ _____
SEX: F

NOTES:
(H)-1: Name appears as Richardson, Richeson, Richison etc. Richison on Tombstone, Wells Valley Chapel Cemetery, Fulton Co., PA where Joseph, Elizabeth & daughter, Mary, are buried.
(H)-2: Also buried in Cemetery was Dick Richardson who died April 28, 1840. Dick could be another son of Joseph and Elizabeth.
(2)-1: Jennie not on 1850 or 1860 Census with rest of family, but added her because D. I. Foster said she was daughter of Joseph, Jr.
(2)-2: Jennie was a school teacher in Bedford Co., PA, and is buried in Duvall Cemetery, Defiance, Bedford Co., PA.
(8)-1: From 1860 Census. Did Margaret (1850 Census Fulton Co., PA) b. 1836 die young and Joseph & Elizabeth named daughter born 1852 (1860 Census) Margaret also?
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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Marion Grover (RN=3450)
B: c 1839 @ . .IL
M: c 1861 @ . .IL
D: . . @ _____
SEX: M
Father: _____
Mother: _____

Wife: Anna Davis (RN=413)
B: 09 May 1839 @ . .. .
D: 02 Feb 1927 @ . .. .
SEX: F
Father: Benjamin Davis (RN=398)
Mother: Lavina/Melvina/Vina Perry (RN=399)

CHILDREN

1 Huldy E. Grover (RN=3451)
B: c 1862 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: . . @ _____
SEX: F

2 Ruth A. Grover (RN=3452)
B: c 1864 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: . . @ _____
SEX: F

3 Mary C. Grover (RN=3453)
B: c 1870 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: . . @ _____
SEX: F

4 Ella Grover (RN=3454)
B: c 1873 @ . .IL
M: _____ to _____ @ _____ _____
D: . . @ _____
SEX: F

NOTES:
(1)-1: Name and birth date from 1880 Cooperstownship, Brown Co., IL Census.
(2)-1: Name and birth date from 1880 Cooperstownship, Brown Co., IL Census.
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NOTE: A small c before the birth date = circa or about that date.
A capital C before the date = Christened or Baptized date.
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